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SANTA CLAUS ARRIVES: Some of the 75 children at the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce Women's Division 14th annual children's Christmas party crowd around the jolly old

fellow. The party was held Saturday at the Madison Memorial Center in Madison. The first party was held in 1976 under the leadership of Women's Division President Billie Schuler.

(Photo by Buddy Bortz)

Residents can protest tax hike

MADISON — The District 12 school board voted Thursday night to increase its aggregate property tax levy by 13 percent to \$788,450, but residents have the opportunity to veto a related tax increase.

The figure includes \$85,050 for the Operation, Building and Maintenance Fund, with a proj-

ected 3-cent rate increase under a backdoor referendum policy approved by the Illinois General Assembly in the last session.

The increase stems from a new law that allows community unit districts, such as District 12, to increase the building fund rate fractionally over the next

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Foley gets school post

By Meg Tebo
Staff writer

MADISON — The District 12 school board has appointed Mike Foley, Madison Fire Department assistant chief, to a two-year term on the board. Foley replaces the Rev. Doyle Ankrom, who moved out of the school district.

Foley, a lifetime Madison resident, has three children, aged seven, four and six months. The oldest attends school in Madison. Foley's family owned Foley

Venitian Blinds in Madison for many years.

The new board member is a Madison city employee, in charge of the alarm department. Ankrom left Madison to take a position at a new church in Troy.

In other business Thursday night, the board approved the 1990 Madison High School prom to be held in the Middle School gymnasium. An after-prom event will be held at Granite City Bowl, which will be rented for the evening.

Attorney may face disciplinary action

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A state judicial panel has recommended disciplining local attorney Leon Scroggins for allegedly mishandling five cases.

John O'Malley, administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Illinois, filed the 20-page complaint Nov. 16 with the commission's hearing board.

The five-count complaint said Scroggins,

who has been licensed to practice law since 1960, agreed to represent three defendants convicted of various crimes. After filing appeals of their convictions, he failed to follow through, and the defendants had to pursue their own appeals, it is contended.

In another case, Scroggins allegedly failed to file a real estate title for an elderly woman and to properly transfer the title of a car she had sold.

In a fifth case, Scroggins allegedly agreed to represent an Indiana woman who had suc-

cessfully sought visitation rights to her grandchild living in Illinois. But after accepting a \$400 check from the woman, he failed to file the visitation order with an Illinois court, the complaint said.

Scroggins said he would fight the charges and expected to be completely exonerated.

If the complaint is upheld by the hearing board, Scroggins could face disciplinary action ranging from reprimand to suspension to permanent disbarment, said Jerry Larkin.

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Local man arrested in raid at club

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

CENTREVILLE — James Clark of Madison got something a little different for his 40th birthday: an arrest for violating the state obscenity law.

Clark, of the 1700 block of Fifth Street, was at PT's Show Club on Thursday celebrating his birthday when Illinois State Police arrested him, another patron and eight employees of the topless dancing club.

State Police said Clark and seven dancers were arrested for alleged contact between customers and dancers, a criterion St. Clair County State's

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(Photo by Buddy Bortz)

CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR: Doorman Tim Knowland, left, directs Tim and Carla Elliott through the home of Tom and Jo Anne Taff, 2251 Cleveland Blvd., on Saturday night. The "World's Fair" home, completed in 1904, was one of seven homes and three churches on the Downtown Neighborhood Restoration Society tour.

K mart's inserts join Sunday Home Journals

K mart, the nation's largest discount merchandiser, has signed an annual contract to place its advertising circulars in the Sunday Home Journals in the St. Louis area during 1990, beginning Feb. 4.

The advertising circulars will be in more than 600,000 Sunday Home Journals in both Illinois and Missouri on a weekly basis. K mart will discontinue its insert program in the Sunday St. Louis Post-Dispatch and Belleville (Ill.) News-Democrat when its program with the Journals begins.

Thomas Marschel, president and chief executive officer for the Suburban Newspapers of Greater St. Louis, said the new annual contract with options is the "culmination of a relationship between K mart and the Suburban Journals that dates back to 1969." He said, "We are obviously pleased with the faith that K mart has in our Suburban Journals."

Wayne Perzee, one of two K mart district managers in the St.

Louis area, said the company was "excited to be in the Sunday Home Journals to make sure that all potential customers get the K mart advertising." Perzee said he saw a parallel between the Journals' program of free newspaper distribution to all households and K mart's mission of getting the best prices and merchandise to all residents.

"We are certainly looking forward to the move to enable us to reach a much larger share of the households in the St. Louis area," said Jim Crocker, the other K mart manager in the St. Louis area.

In another announcement, the two companies said the K mart After-Christmas Sale circular will be inserted into the Christmas Day edition of the Sunday Home Journals, which will be delivered on Christmas Eve.

The Suburban Newspapers of Greater St. Louis publishes 38 newspapers, including 26 with Sunday Home Journals editions and 37 with mid-week editions.

K mart, the second largest

retailer in the United States, has 22 stores in the St. Louis area and will open its 23rd in Ellis-

ville in March. The company employs 3,300 associates in the metro area.



(Staff photo by John Conroy)

THE SWITCH of all K mart advertising circulars to the Suburban Journals from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch has been announced by, from left, Mike Gebhart, regional sales manager for the Journals; Wayne Perzee and Jim Crocker, district managers for K mart stores; and Thomas Marschel, president and chief executive officer of the Journals.

Reviews and previews

State sues Granite City Steel

The state of Illinois has filed a seven-count lawsuit against Granite City Steel charging it with a number of air pollution violations at various times from 1987 through 1989. The suit, alleging the company allowed illegal emissions into the air, was filed in Madison County Circuit Court by Attorney General Neil Hartigan. If the allegations are supported in court, Granite City Steel could face more than \$130,000 in penalties. The emissions were not life-threatening, according to the attorney general.

Santa Claus is coming to town

Children will have an opportunity to eat breakfast with Santa Claus on Saturday at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College. The program will be held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the campus cafeteria, 4950 Maryville Road. Tickets are \$2 and must be purchased in advance in the Cashier's Office at the campus. The deadline is today (Wednesday). In addition to breakfast and photo opportunities with Santa and Mrs. Claus, there will be storytelling and cartoons. Those who want more information may call 931-0600.

50 years ago

Thursday, Dec. 14, 1939

The Madison Village Trustees purchased a small rectangular tract of land from the Madison Packing Co. in order to straighten out a dangerous curve on 12th Street at Alton Avenue. The purchase price was \$1.

Tip of the hat



Forty-nine Granite City National Honor Society members solicited Nov. 17 and 18 outside businesses for the Tri-Cities Area United Way. Students collected almost \$1,700. Presenting a check to raise the total over \$1,700 are: from left, Jennifer Reznack, secretary; Chad Lane, president; Nancy Sanders-Miles, volunteer; Ron Sammons, vice president; and Gina Lenzi, treasurer.

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Multiple charges follow incident at local store

A young woman from Venice involved in a disturbance at a store was booked on four charges Dec. 6.

Clarissa L. Ingram, 17, of the 1200 block of Klein Street, Venice, was booked for battery, criminal trespass to property, disorderly conduct and resisting a peace officer.

Officers went to Glik's Department Store, where manager Shelley Fruth reported Ingram started arguing and cursed a clerk at the checkout lane and then threatened Fruth when told to leave the store.

Ingram allegedly threw the top of a metal ashtray at Fruth, missing the manager but hitting a customer standing nearby.

The suspect allegedly then picked up the base of the ashtray and threw it, hitting Fruth in the leg before leaving the store.

Ingram was stopped and arrested outside an adjacent store.

In a court appearance Dec. 7, Ingram pleaded guilty to trespassing and disorderly conduct. She was fined \$70 on each charge and given until Dec. 29 to pay.

Ingram pleaded innocent to battery and resisting an officer. She was released on her own recognizance on these charges.

Electronic games stolen

In a burglary at the home of Margaret L. Ettington in the 2000 block of Bryan Avenue, the intruder broke a window to get into the residence and stole a Nintendo Action set valued at \$100 and an electronic game worth \$50, it was reported Dec. 6.

Parked car burglarized

Nineteen cassette tapes in a carrying case were taken by a burglar from an auto parked in the driveway at the residence of Tracey L. Alfaro of the 2200 block of State Street, she reported Dec. 4.

Rail crossings blocked

State complaints against Norfolk & Southern Railway were signed by a police officer who alleged an N&S train had blocked four railroad crossings without moving for over 20 minutes at 3 p.m. Dec. 4.

Handles stolen from truck

Thirty wooden mop handles with brackets attached were stolen from the bed of a pickup truck at 20th Street and Cleveland Boulevard, it was reported Dec. 6 by Clarence E. Whitford of the 2800 block of West 22nd Street.

Women struck with fists

Called to a disturbance in the 4900 block of Kirkpatrick Homes at 6:15 p.m. Dec. 5, officers arrested Wesley Lee Reed, 25, of the 3100 block of the housing complex on two counts of battery.

In court Dec. 6, Reed pleaded innocent and was released on a \$1,000 recognizance bond.

It was alleged that, during an argument, Reed used fists to strike Dawn R. Oakresh, 24, of the 4900 block of Kirkpatrick Homes, knocking her down.

Linda M. Arney, 43, of the 4200 block alleged Reed hit her while she was holding a grandchild in her lap.

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While officers were talking to the victims, a 16-year-old boy began yelling at Reed and voicing threats. The boy was told to quiet down or face arrest and then was told to leave. He refused and then ran, but returned to the scene and began shouting.

After being told he was under arrest, the boy ran away again and was stopped in the 4500 block of Kirkpatrick Homes, where he struggled with two patrolmen. He was charged with resisting a peace officer and disorderly conduct and was released to a parent on a notice to appear for a hearing.

Vandals damage 3 autos

The convertible top of a 1989 Chevrolet auto was stabbed with a sharp object and damaged, it was reported Wednesday by Carol A. McCullah of the 2200 block of Cleveland Boulevard. The car was parked on 22nd Street near her residence.

Edna Isham of the 2400 block of Anchorage said Wednesday that a vandal tossed eggs on her car, which was parked in the street outside her home.

Donna Goforth of the 2300 block of East 23rd Street reported Wednesday that vandals threw white paint onto the driver's side of a blue 1988 Pontiac LeMans while the car was in the parking lot at 3655 Nameoki Road.

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2 hurt in 2-vehicle crash

Two persons sustained injuries in a two-vehicle accident Dec. 3 at Madison Avenue and 27th Street.

Injured were Robert K. Bush, 75, of the 100 block of Big Four Place, Mitchell, and a passenger in his northbound car, Doris Bush, 75, of the same address. Both were taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

The second vehicle was driven by Michael E. Lynch, 21, of the 2500 block of Nameoki Drive, who was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

Stolen auto recovered

A 1977 Chrysler auto owned by Gary Francis Giltrap of St. Louis, reported stolen Dec. 5 from the Granite City Lodge in the 1200 block of 18th Street, was recovered the same date in a parking lot at a Brooklyn nightclub.

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Battery by man alleged
Omer M. Keith, 55, of the 1700 block of Delmar Avenue was arrested Dec. 4 and booked for battery after Tina F. Keith, 34, of that address alleged he began

choking her during an argument.

Another family member ran to a neighbor's residence and called police officers. Omer Keith was released on a notice to appear for a hearing.

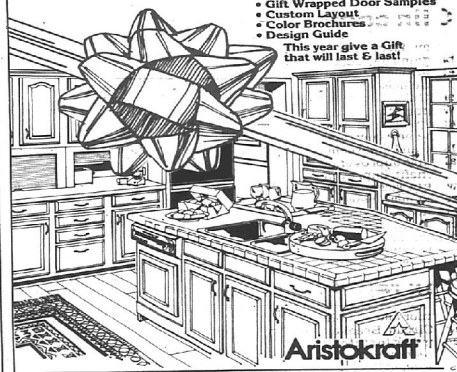
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Felony weapon charge filed

GRANITE CITY — An officer blocking traffic at 18th and State streets during a major fire at a duplex about 9:30 p.m. Dec. 5 was called to a nearby tavern where a man inside allegedly had a weapon.

At the Tip Top Tavern, 1746 State St., Richard D. Womack, 27, of the 1900 block of Grand Avenue allegedly had a gun in his right hand and pushed a 28-year-old Granite City man off a bar stool onto the floor. The victim declined to press charges.

Womack was arrested on a felony charge of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm and misdemeanor charges of aggravated assault and unlawful use of a weapon.

A .357-magnum handgun was recovered at the scene, police said.

Circuit Judge Paul J. Riley on Dec. 7 ordered Womack transferred to the Madison County Jail in Edwardsville.

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Briefly

Venture, Mattel team up
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Venture Stores Inc. and Mattel have teamed up with The Salvation Army to collect Christmas toys to make the holiday season brighter for children in need in St. Louis.

People who wish to donate toys to the Venture/Mattel Kids Care, Too program can drop off their gift in the specially marked Mattel "Kids Care, Too" collection boxes at any Venture store. Those who donate a toy receive an activity book free from Mattel.

Volunteers from The Salvation Army are working closely with Venture to collect the toys and distribute them in time for Christmas. More than 35,000 children received toys last Christmas through the program.

"The toys collected will be given to children who otherwise could have gone without this holiday season," said Lt. Col. M. Lee Hickam, commander of the Midland Division of The Salvation Army.

Olin contracts ratified

New three-year labor contracts were accepted Dec. 3 by four bargaining groups representing most of the hourly-paid employees at Olin Corporation's East Alton manufacturing plant.

Machinists District 9, Electricians Local 649, Chemical Workers Union Local 6 and members of six unions represented by the Western Employees Trades Council voted by a 2-1 margin to accept the company's proposal.

The new contracts call for a 4½ percent wage increase Dec. 1, 1989, and 3 percent increases on Dec. 1 in 1990 and 1991. There also are improvements in various benefit programs.

Benefit improvements include increases in shift premiums, weekly sickness and accident benefits, retiree life insurance, retirement benefits and participation in a new contributing employee ownership plan in which the company matches employee savings, up to 6 percent of base pay, at a rate determined by company performance.

The improvements more than offset some minor reductions in health care benefits.

Tax relief applications due

Senior and disabled citizens have just a few weeks left to apply for Circuit Breaker tax relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance, according to state Revenue Director Roger D. Sweet.

Sweet reminded those eligible that the deadline for applications is midnight Dec. 31.

"If you haven't filed yet, you must apply before then," Sweet said. "All applications must be postmarked by this date in order to qualify for this year's program," he said.

More than 372,000 people have received a total of \$97.5 million so far this year in Circuit Breaker tax rebates, he said.

In addition, 87,633 have signed up for the Pharmaceutical Assistance program, which provides free medications for heart disease, arthritis and diabetes.

Applications for Circuit Breaker programs can be obtained from any Illinois Department of Revenue office or by calling the department toll-free at 1-800-732-8866. Persons who file their claims in December can expect to receive their checks around late March 1990.

Eticam still plans Granite plant

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Eticam still plans to build a recycling plant on the west side of Illinois 3, but the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has forced the company to enter another 30-day public hearing period.

Following several public hearings, the recycling plant was approved by the City Council several years ago. The plant, which would recover metals from liquid industrial waste, could employ as many as 50 people.

At a hearing Tuesday evening at City Hall, the aldermen appeared willing to vote to support Eticam, but the company's attorney explained the council cannot vote until the 30-day period is over.

The major question the aldermen had for Eticam Vice President Austin Donnelly was, "How soon can you be here?"

Donnelly said construction could start within 90 days of getting approval from the IEPA.

He said the IEPA estimated, more than a

year ago, that the approval process would take nine months.

But waiting, he said, is something Eticam is used to doing. He said the plant the company just opened in Temple, Texas, had been delayed several times to meet some specific Texas requirements that are tougher than anywhere else in the country.

The company did whatever it took to meet the requirements, he said.

Eticam operates plants in Rhode Island, Nevada and Texas.

Donnelly assured the council the plant will pose no safety threat. The waste would be brought in in tanker trucks and pumped directly in a sealed system into the recycling system.

Because the waste is liquid, he said, there is no possibility of dust.

The only possible contamination, he said, would be through a spill that could be contained by Eticam and the Granite City Fire Department.

Donnelly said the fire department should already be able to handle that type of spill, but Eticam would buy any extra equipment or pay for any additional training that might be needed.

Asked if he was sure enough of the plant's safety to live next door, Donnelly said: "Actually, I live a quarter-mile from the Rhode Island plant."

Five announce for
countywide offices

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — County Clerk Evelyn Bowles of Edwardsville became the fifth announced candidate for countywide office Thursday.

Bowles, 68, will be seeking her fifth four-year term.

Sheriff Bob Churchich, County Treasurer Mick Henkhaus and Madison County Regional Superintendent of Schools Harry A. Briggs Jr. previously said they would run for new terms.

All four are Democrats. Briggs, 42, of Granite City will seek nomination for a second term. The primary is in March and the general election is in November 1990.

Churchich, 61, of Dorsey also will be seeking a second term, while Henkhaus, 47, of Bethalto will run for a fourth.

In reviewing her last four years in office, Bowles noted dramatic changes in how elections are conducted.

"All election results are now tabulated by computer," she said, "while the ballot combination have become increasingly complex."

John Shimkus of Collinsville

has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for county treasurer.

Shimkus, 31, a West Point graduate and a teacher at Metro East Lutheran High School, is a Collinsville Township trustee.

He said, "As a Republican I will, by my very presence, provide a very needed check on the county government."

Treasurer Henkhaus said his office distributes property taxes to local governments faster than any other treasurer's office in the state.

"We get money out two months before we have to," Henkhaus said.

Churchich said he wants to set up a countywide police unit similar to the St. Louis Metropolitan Major Case Squad, which has officers from different departments on loan to it. He said the unit would include a mobile crime laboratory.

If some (municipalities) choose not to be involved, we're going to do it anyway," Churchich said.

Briggs said the most important issues facing schools involve financing and the enhancement of students' learning.



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GOOD RIDDANCE: Standing inside a house on Dewey Avenue during its last hours on earth are, from left, 4th Ward Alderman Dan Partney, Granite City Building Inspector John Jakich and 4th Ward Alderman Dan Brown. The condemnation and demolition process took less than 30 days, about a twelfth of the normal time, according to Jakich. "It's really a matter of luck as much as anything else," he said. "But the city is getting better." Jakich said a couple dozen condemned properties are currently facing demolition using community development funds.

7 animals at Granite pound

GRANITE CITY — The Animal Control Department reports it had seven animals at the city pound as of Dec. 8. Persons wishing to reclaim or adopt one of the animals may call Animal Control at 452-6233.

- The animals at the pound are:
- A large black and white shepherd found Nov. 30 in the Joy Avenue area.
 - An extra-large black female Great Dane picked up Dec. 1 in the 14th Street area.
 - A medium-sized brown male mixed collie found Dec. 5 in the 2800 block of Edwards Street.
 - A medium-sized white male mixed breed dog found Dec. 5 in the 600 block of Kirkpatrick Homes.
 - A small blond male cocker spaniel found Dec. 6 in the 2100 block of Johnson Road.
 - A small black and white male cocker spaniel found Dec. 7 in the 2000 block of Ohio Avenue.
 - A small brown male puppy found Dec. 8 near the Price Support Center.

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Gibson retires as AFL-CIO president

By Andy Stiering
Staff writer

CHICAGO — Robert Gibson, a native of Granite City, made it official Thursday, retiring as president of the state AFL-CIO. He was replaced by Richard Walsh, the union's secretary-treasurer.

Gibson, 52, served 10 years as president. Before that, he was Illinois AFL-CIO secretary-treasurer for 16 years. He had hinted to the *Press-Record/Journal* several weeks ago that he might retire soon.

Walsh, 46, was unanimously approved Thursday by the union's executive board. He had served two years as secretary-treasurer and 10 years as the union's legislative and political director. The son of a Chicago steelworker, he has a law degree and is a member of American Federation of Teachers

Local 4438 in Springfield.

Gibson praised the executive board's action in naming Walsh: "I am confident he will continue the gains we have made for labor."

His vast experience with the Legislature and his many years working within the political process give him a unique ability to develop legislative solutions to problems faced by working men and women.

Walsh, in turn, praised Gibson's accomplishments: "We're going to miss President Gibson. He made the state organization one of the most effective in the country."

Walsh said the major challenges facing the one-million-member union federation are the 1990 elections and legislative district reapportionment.

He said, "Reapportionment will dictate how the labor movement will be treated for

the next 10 years."

He said the most important 1990 aspect of reapportionment is to make sure that Democratic majorities are elected in both houses of the General Assembly, since those are the bodies which will do the redistricting.

Walsh said other priorities include legislative action to streamline the worker's compensation process, which he said takes an average of four years now before awards are given.

He also said he expects to bring the United Mine Workers union into the state AFL-CIO.

David Johnson, the union's legislative director, was named to replace Walsh as secretary-treasurer.

Gibson, who grew up here and worked for 10 years at Granite City Steel, has said he might move back.

Startling cycle stats outline helmet needs

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration a motorcyclist without a helmet is twice as likely to suffer a head injury in an accident and three times more likely to suffer a fatal head injury than a rider with a helmet.

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Council ignores attorney's advice

By Bonita Gower-Tillman
Staff writer

EAST ST. LOUIS — The Aldermanic Council overturned a veto last week on a resolution that would have allowed them to appoint department heads.

Mayor Carl Officer issued the veto Nov. 17, saying the resolution violated state and U.S. laws governing the separation of powers between the executive and legislative branches of government.

The council was issued a reverse opinion from its own attorney, Kenwyn Redding, said case law had been brought to his attention that showed that alder-

men were in violation.

He previously had told aldermen that the resolution was legal, but probably would cause them some political problems.

"I made a mistake," Redding said. "If a man can't admit he made a mistake, he's got some problems. Case law in Illinois is that they can't do what they attempted to do."

City Attorney Eric Vickers also presented aldermen with a copy of a restraining order forbidding aldermen from acting on the resolution. The order was issued by Associate Judge Robert Craig.

Officer had filed suit against the seven aldermen who approved the ordinance Nov. 15. Despite the actions, aldermen overrode the veto by a 7-1 vote. Ward 4 Alderwoman Willie Reese cast the only dissenting vote.

In other business, the council overrode Officer's veto of a resolution to advertise for a new comptroller, and gave a vote of support to Ward 3 Alderman Frank Clark.

Officer's suit also had sought to remove Clark, a convicted felon.

"We want to take this opportu-

nity to support Frank Clark," said Ward 3 Alderman Oliver Hendricks. "He is an alderman, elected by people in his ward, seated by this board of aldermen by the council rules. We support our own 1,000 percent."

Ward 7 Alderman Roosevelt Malone said Clark's record seemed to be questioned only when he no longer supported certain policies.

"As soon as he takes a mind to something else, they try to mud him to death," Malone said.

The council voted 7-0 in Clark's favor. Reese had left the meeting early.

•Obscenity-

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Attorney John Barievich has said would result in arrest for obscenity.

According to a police report, Clark was charged with "participating in physical contact with the dancer, designed to sexually stimulate..."

On Dec. 4, the club began featuring totally nude dancing, but Barievich has said nude dancing is not a violation of county or state obscenity laws.

Some dancers have reportedly quit since being ordered by the club's management to remove their customary G-string for the third song of each set. They were told to dance nude, except for a garter to hold tips.

The dancers arrested were Cynthia Conway, 23, of Belleville; Amy Heitz, 20, and Kara Cochran, 19, both of Champion; Mary Stumpf, 18, of O'Fallon; Polyan Smoljan, 26, of Cahokia; Teria Knoebel, 29, of East St. Louis; and Laura Vinselmeier, 25, of Oakville, Mo.

Also arrested were the club's

manager, Thomas Kelly, 36, of St. Louis, and Michael Griffith, 33, of St. Louis. Griffith was arrested for obstructing a police officer by refusing to leave the club. Kelly was charged with allowing obscene activities in the club.

All those arrested were charged with misdemeanors, punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

Illinois' obscenity code bars "ultimate sexual acts or sadomasochistic sexual acts, masturbation, excretory functions or lewd exhibition of the genitals... obscene exhibition of the body for gain" and directing "an obscene play, dance or other performance..."

Another nine people were arrested in a separate raid last Wednesday night at the Main Street Club in Washington Park.

About 80 other cases are still pending from raids last summer. In the only case tried so far, a dancer at PT's was acquitted in August after she allegedly exposed her genitals to customers.

Obituaries

Buckler

Mary Alice (Wells) Buckler, 89, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 7:25 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, 1989, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She was born July 24, 1900, in Charleston, Ill. Mrs. Buckler was a homemaker and a member of the Edwardsville Senior Citizens. She was preceded in death by her husband, Elsie L. Buckler, who died Nov. 12, 1973; they were married Oct. 2, 1919. Also preceding her in death were 11 brothers and one sister.

Survivors include two sons, Gerald L. Buckler of Edwardsville and Robert C. Buckler of Virginia Beach, Va.; one daughter, Mrs. Fred S. (Helen) Rehagen of Germantown, Wis.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at Mateer Funeral Home, Edwardsville, with the Rev. James Johnston officiating. Burial was at Woodland Cemetery, Edwardsville. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

George Breeden

Breeden

George R. Breeden, 58, of Madison died at 11:50 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, 1989, at home. He had 14 months. Mr. Breeden was a patient of Hospice of Madison County.

He was born Sept. 15, 1931, in Canton, Ga., and resided in Madison 23 years.

A retired Army staff sergeant, he was a former employee of the Madison Street Department and also of Bell Technical Services at the Charles Melvin Price Support Center, Granite City.

He was a member of VFW Post 7451 and AMVETS Post 204, both in Madison.

Survivors include his wife, Ann E. (Vasiloff) Breeden of Madison; seven sons, George R. Breeden Jr. of Kentucky, Ron J. Breeden of Camp Lejeune, N.C., Mark A. Breeden of Granite City, Brian L. Breeden of Macon, Ga., David A. Breeden of Whitesboro, N.Y., Bruce Base in Missouri, and Bruce M. Breeden and Steve M. Breeden, both of Madison; a daughter, Vickie L. Breeden of Madison; two brothers, Louis Breeden of Canton, Ga., and Chester Breeden of Lexington, Ky.; two sisters, Loretta Breeden of Canton, Ga., and Mrs. Bob (Tina) Burns of Cummings, Ga.; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters.

Visitation was held from 4 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Lahey-Sedlak Funeral Home, 615 Madison Ave., Madison, where a rosary was said at 7 p.m. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. today (Wednesday) at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 10th Street and Alton Avenue, Madison. Burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, Mo. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or Masses to the church.

Barylske

Stanley Thomas Barylske II of Granite City was stillborn at 1:44 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, 1989, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Survivors include his parents, Stanley T. and Angela Fay (Green) Barylske; and one brother, Brandon Scott Green, maternal grandparents, Kenneth and Sandra McDowell, and his paternal grandmother, Dorothy Barylske, all of Granite City.

Graveside services were held Tuesday at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville, with the Rev. William Mullis officiating. Arrangements were handled by Irwin Chapel of Granite City.

Hutson

Brenton D. Hutson Sr., 75, of Granite City died at 5:11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, 1989, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He had been ill for 5½ years and in the hospital for four weeks.

Mr. Hutson was born Oct. 18, 1914, in Doddridge County, W. Va., and lived most of his life in Granite City. He retired as an electrician at Granite City Steel, where he had worked for 50 years.

Preceding him in death was a son, Brent Hutson Jr., in 1988. Survivors include his wife, Alice (Knecht) Hutson; one son, Michael Hutson of Granite City; one daughter, Mrs. Steve (Brenda) Rains of Granite City; three brothers, Kenneth Hutson of Yuma, Ariz., John Hutson of Grand Prairie, Texas, and Loren Hutson of Cincinnati; one sister, Mrs. Elden (Dolores) Gorrell of Granite City; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was held Monday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, where funeral services were held Tuesday, with the Rev. David Fielding officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Revocations

Quad-City Area residents whose driver's licenses have been revoked by Secretary of State Jim Edgar's office for conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol include:

Charles U. Davis, 58, of the 2400 block of 26th Street, arrested Sept. 20, 1986, convicted Oct. 26.

Connie E. Farley, 32, of the 4000 block of Kirkpatrick Homes, arrested Jan. 30, 1986, convicted Oct. 27.

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•Tax increase-

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four years to bring the total in line with the combined limit on elementary and high school districts, officials said.

Currently, separate high school and elementary districts may each tax up to 25 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation. Community unit districts have had a building fund rate ceiling of 37.5 cents until this year, the first of the four-year plan.

Under the backdoor referendum system, the school board may raise the tax after a public hearing, which was held immediately prior to the Dec. 7 board meeting. Residents of the district then have 30 days in which to file petitions protesting the increase.

If petitions are gathered, the issue will be placed on the March election ballot. If petitions are not submitted within 30

days, the board action automatically takes effect.

Despite the increase, the total new levy is nearly \$200,000 less than last year's \$955,884.

Superintendent Dan Kostencki attributed the difference to the board's decision to set a higher levy a year ago, in line with its expectation of a major increase in real estate assessment. That increase did not occur, and the rate limits when applied to the assessment base produced less dollars than had been levied.

The new levy provides \$396,000 for education, \$110,000 for the Illinois municipal retirement fund, \$70,000 for liability insurance, \$66,000 for Social Security, \$42,000 for transportation, \$10,500 for the working cash fund, \$10,500 for fire prevention, safety, environmental costs and energy conservation, and \$8,400 for special education.

•Scroggins-

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deputy administrator of the commission.

Scroggins was brought before the disciplinary panel once before — in April 1984, in connection with his activities and those of five other lawyers who campaigned against retention of two circuit judges in the 1980 election.

The six lawyers belonged to

the Committee For an Improved Judiciary, an employee of which allegedly mailed material including false statistics on judicial rulings.

They were accused of making false statements about a judge, which is a violation of the canons of ethics for lawyers.

Scroggins said he was exonerated of those charges.

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WOMEN HONORED: Special recognition for achievement in their field was awarded to Gail Herzog and Jan Quarton at a recent meeting of the Granite City Business and Professional Women's Organization. Herzog is a teacher in the Speech Communications Department at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Quarton is the executive director for the Tri-Cities Area United Way. Pictured from left, Cindy Clark, Young Careerist candidate, Gail Herzog, Lisa Fanning, Young Careerist chairman, and Jan Quarton.

December BPW filming set

The December meeting of the Granite City Business and Professional Women's Organization will be hosted by Past President Jane Isenbarg and will be held at Ravanello's Restaurant on Dec. 20.

This year, a film crew is visiting members' homes as they decorate them for the holidays. This will be shown at the meeting.

Butterfly Club meets for lunch

The Butterfly Club met for lunch at Charlie Hester's First Season Restaurant and later at the home of Juanita Rosenberg for dessert and an afternoon of pinocchio. Christmas decorations adorned the house.

The club celebrated the birthdays of Rosenberg, Irene Willis and Katie Hommert.

Prizes were won by Hommert, Hazel Rollins, Thelma Schmidt and Nell Tailey. Schmidt also won the honor's prize.

Other members present were: Harriet Hoff, Lorraine Melby, Mary Lou Claussen and Edith Ryan.

The Christmas party will be hosted by Hazel Rollins.

Sorority meets over pizza

Members of Preceptor Beta Gamma enjoyed pizza and a movie at the home of Carol Gathery.

Marilyn Lumpkins reported on the Illinois State Convention held in St. Louis, where she, Linda Koenig and Betty Beck served as hostesses for the weekend. She also shared information for the Missouri State Convention to be held in October in West St. Louis County.

Vicki Barth reported on the recent sorority City County meeting and outlined meetings for the rest of the year.

Chapter assignments were given for the April Founder's Day celebration. B.J. Jones read from the manual.

Also attending were Donna Bowen, Cheryl Beck, Barbara Hente and Carolyn Cernkovich.

Theta Iota plans Christmas party

The Theta Iota, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met in the home of Vickie Miller.

President Miriam Taylor called the meeting to order with the recitation of the opening ritual by all members present. Recording Secretary Cecelia Kamacho took roll call, then read the minutes from the last meeting. Treasurer Vickie Miller then gave the chapter's treasury report.

Vickie Miller and Debbie Griffin then served refreshments to the following members and guest: Terri Pratt, Cheryl



NEW INDUCTEE: New member Jeanette L. Holder, left, was inducted into the Granite City Business and Professional Women's Organization at the monthly meeting, by Rosemary Wilson, membership chairman. Holder is owner of CVM Realty, Commuter Connection and Mail Service Plus. For information on joining the organization call Becky Slate, 452-5291.

Wright, Cecelia Kamacho, GG Kamacho, Barb Young, Vickie Miller, Joyce Alexander, Debbie Griffin, Alberta Sutton, Delana Michaels, Betty Taylor, Miriam Taylor, Dana Miller and Sabrina Miller.

Lincoln mothers mark Christmas

The Lincoln Place Mothers Club held its annual Christmas party at the annual Honorary Club on Dec. 6.

A pot-luck dinner was held, followed by bingo and an exchange of presents.

Those in attendance were: Linda Garcia, Rosa Grim, Anna Kuzma, Virginia Kittel, Lennie Lore, Dorothy Petrillo, Mary St. Ivany, Martha Simpson, Josephine Vangel and Ann Veloff.

The following guests also attended: Karen DeCurry, Mary Gages, Josephine Glavan, Mary Buserich, Josephine Kern, Elizabeth Malincheff, Rosalee Palazzolo, Lillian Rapp, Kathryn Todoroff and Mary Veloff.

The next meeting will be Jan. 3. Anyone wishing to attend will be welcomed.

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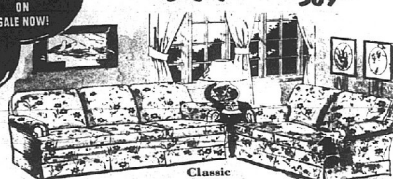


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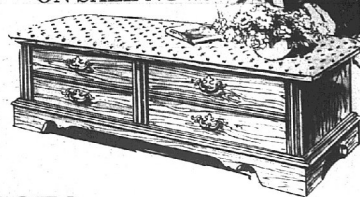
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A bridal shower was held for Amy Achenbach on Nov. 19 at the Fellowship Hall of Hope Lutheran Church.

The shower was given by her bridesmaids: Janet Niles, Lisa Jones, Stephanie Ashley, Laura Antoff and Bobbie Brandibas. Forty-five guests attended, and many prizes were awarded. A buffet luncheon was served. Achenbach will become the bride of Keith Antoff of Granite City on Dec. 30.

Parents of the future bride are Mr. and Mrs. Phillip (Joan) Achenbach.

Marriage licenses

The following marriage licenses were issued through the office of Evelyn M. Bowles, Madison County clerk:

Thomas E. Campbell and Rhonda C. Robinson, both of Madison.
John M. Carbone and Diane J. Turner, both of Granite City.
Earl Junior Casey of Venice and Geneva M. Thomas of Herin, Ill.

Timothy J. Connor and Lynda J. Lucas, both of Granite City.
Kevin A. Freeman and G. Doretta Hamlett, both of Granite City.
Troy A. Glendening and Pauline Jordan, both of Granite City.

Mark J. Hessler and Pamela S. Dudak, both of Granite City.
Timothy Lee Ingram of Granite City and Tonia Renee Fears of Edwardsville.

David Michael Ishum and Elizabeth Carol Schoeber, both of Granite City.
Jimmy Dale Kirk and June Louise Sawyer, both of Granite City.

Larry R. McCracken and Shari S. Christ, both of Granite City.
Thomas B. Nation and Donna Kestelic, both of Granite City.
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Garry M. Powers and Linda K. Eller, both of Granite City.
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Kelly R. Scrump of Madison and Jennifer L. Wright of Collinsville.

Ronald Eugene Smithers Sr. of Collinsville and Stephanie Renee Walden of Granite City.
Richard Joe Sutton and Tamara Kay Hoffman, both of Granite City.

Ronald E. Warren of St. Louis and Venida A. Bauer of Granite City.
Raymond Dale Wyatt and Pamela Jean Mayes, both of Granite City.

Holy Family group orders sweat shirts

The monthly meeting of the Parish-School Association of Holy Family Catholic School was held Nov. 27 in the school cafeteria.

Prior to the meeting, a newly purchased popcorn machine for the school was on display, with sample popcorn for everyone. Also on display were samples of the school's new sweat shirts and sweat pants, which were available to order.

The meeting was opened by Chairman Dorothy Ronk, and the opening prayer was given by the Rev. William Fisherkeller.

Sister M. Angeline then gave the principal's report, updating events for the children during the holiday season. She also announced that the school's Christmas program will be Dec. 14 at Holy Family Church.

Judith Lux reported on the "Applies for Students" program, which she said is a huge success at the school. According to a school spokesman, Lux has put a lot of time and effort into the program to benefit the children. The PSA-sponsored Santa's Workshop was held Dec. 4-6 for students to purchase Christmas presents and have them wrapped and tagged.

Woody Hallbrook of the Athletic Committee reported on the busy basketball and volleyball season. He also reported that volunteers are needed to help with the games in setting up, cleaning up and during the games.

Brenda Roosevelt reported on the success of the first monthly fish fry on Nov. 10 and the upcoming fry on Dec. 8.

Closing remarks were made, and a 50/50 drawing was held. A hand-decorated Christmas sweat shirt was given as door prize.

Parents then viewed the evening's program, a video presentation of satanic cults and the dangers of heavy metal music. Next month's meeting will be held Jan. 22. Babysitting will be provided.

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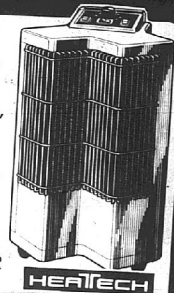
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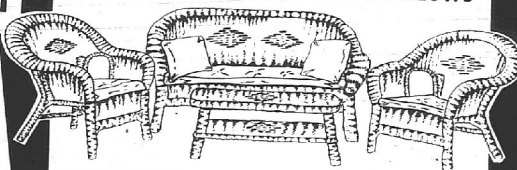
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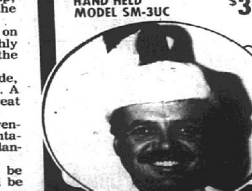


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Barbara M. Walker has compiled a book of recipes based on the food mentioned in the Wilder books. The book is "The Little House Cookbook" (Harper and Row Publishers, \$5.95).

"Cooking remains one of the few essential household activities that adults and children or older and younger children can share in modern urban life," Walker says in her book.

"The recipes in the book offer a wonderful way to share the literature of Wilder with your children."

The following recipes taken from the book could grace your table this holiday season.

"Cranberry Jelly as prepared by Ma on Christmas Eve morning in 'The Long Winter'."

For six servings you will need: 1 lb. cranberries, 2½ cups granulated sugar. Pick over and wash the cranberries, discarding any soft ones. Place sugar and 1 cup of water in 8-quart kettle and bring to a boil. Add berries and cook over medium heat for about 15 minutes, stirring frequently. Pour into a wet 1-quart mold or bowl and chill.

To unmold, place serving dish face down on top of mold, invert so that dish is underneath mold and shake gently. Remove mold and serve jelly with turkey.

"Fried Apples 'n' Onions, Almanzo's favorite food in 'Farmer Boy'."

For six servings you will need: ½ lb. sliced bacon or salt pork, 6 lbs. yellow onions, 6 lbs. tart apple, 2 tablespoons brown sugar. Fry bacon or salt pork slices in 12-inch skillet until brown and crisp. Set them aside on a warm serving platter.

While the meat is frying, peel the onions, leaving the stems to hold for slicing.

Core the apples and cut them crosswise in circles about ¼



Jane Cosby

inch thick. Apple skins help the slices keep their shape and add color to the dish, so don't peel unless skins are tough. Drain all but 1 tablespoon of fat from the skillet, then add the onion slices. Cook them over medium-high heat for about 3 minutes. Cover with apple slices in an even layer. Sprinkle brown sugar overall, cover the skillet, and cook until tender, a few minutes more. Stir only to prevent scorching. Remove to the warm plate with bacon or salt pork slices.

"Fried Parsnips were served for Christmas dinner at the Wilder's house."

For six servings you will need: 3 lbs. large parsnips with out tops, ½ cup flour, a pinch of salt and pepper, 4 to 6 tablespoons of butter and vinegar. Wash parsnips and trim off tails. Simmer in a 4 quart kettle in water to cover about 15 minutes, until a fork will just penetrate. Drain, scrape off skins with a table knife and chill parsnips.

Slice the cool parsnips lengthwise in strips ½-inch thick. Season flour with salt and pepper, and dredge each strip in it. Heat 2 tablespoons of butter in skillet until foamy, then add as many slices as will cover the pan bottom. Brown lightly for a few minutes, about 10 minutes in all. Remove to warm platter. Repeat until all slices are cooked, adding butter to the skillet as needed.

At table these are best eaten with a sprinkling of vinegar.

"The Little House Cookbook" is available through B. Dalton Booksellers.

Jane Cosby is a freelance writer in the St. Louis area.

Senior Menus

Wednesday, Dec. 13 - Beef stew, chef salad, biscuits, pudding.

Thursday - Smoked sausage, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, frosted cake.

Friday - Beef tips with gravy, buttered noodles, peas and carrots, peaches.

Monday - Barbecued boneless rib, baked beans, cole slaw, apple sauce.

Tuesday - Cubed steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, Italian mixed vegetables, brownies.

Seniors Council gathering Dec. 18

The Granite City Council of Seniors will host a Christmas dinner and dance on Dec. 18.

Tickets are available at the Senior Office, 2068 Delmar Ave. A \$5 donation is requested and cards must be shown at the door.

Doors to the Township Hall will open at 5 p.m., with dinner to be served at 6 and dancing to the Alley Kats from 7 to 10 p.m.

Those who wish transportation should call 877-1215.

Nursing home lap robes are topic

Lucille Johnson will present a program on nursing home lap robes at 1 p.m. on Dec. 16 at the Granite City Branch Library, 2145 Johnson Road.

During her presentation, Johnson will tell what materials are needed to make a lap robe and the measurements required for proper fit. She also will show examples of her work.

For six years, Johnson has been sewing lap robes tailored to fit people using a wheelchair. Her talk will be free.

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Prescribed drugs — be informed

This column addresses topics of concern to senior citizens and is issued by Lt. Gov. George Ryan's Senior Action Centers. The centers' toll-free phone number is 1-800-253-6666. In the Springfield area, call 217-789-6666.

Q. Recently, while visiting my elderly aunt, I noticed that she had a counter full of medications — both prescription and over-the-counter drugs. When I asked her about them, she told me she was taking nearly all of them on a daily basis. Is this normal? Is it safe?

A. Taking multiple medications, prescription as well as over-the-counter, is very common among the older population. But it can be dangerous, because people develop more health problems as they grow older, they frequently take more medications. And the side effects are usually more severe due to the changes in their bodies. Medications stay in their system longer and increase the "drug" effects. For example, one of the most common side effects is dizziness, which is especially dangerous for older people.

The best advice you can give your aunt is to encourage her to check with her doctor. She should be honest with him and tell him about all

the medications she is taking — both prescription and over-the-counter medications. If she is experiencing any problems with the medications she is taking or having other symptoms of illness, she should also mention this to the doctor.

It is especially important for her to follow the doctor's or pharmacist's instructions for the dosage of medications. Before she purchases over-the-counter drugs, she should check with the pharmacist and tell him what she is currently taking and discuss any possible side effects.

When going to the doctor, encourage your aunt to ask the following types of questions:

•What is the name of the drug?

•Why am I taking it? What is it for?

•How often should I take it?

•How long must I take it?

•Will there be any side effects? If I experience any, do I need to check with the doctor immediately?

•Is there anything special I should know about taking the drug?

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Organizations

Brownies, parents receive world pins

Brownie Troop 316 held an investiture ceremony at the Granite City Knights of Columbus Hall. Troop leaders Kathy Lickenbrock and Jane Jackstadt presented the girls and some parents with Brownie and World Association pins and Cookie Rally patches.

Scouts who received pins were: Afton Denkle, Kristina Grobosi, Sarah Jackstadt, Erin Langenstein, Megan Ryan, Laura Blankenship, Diana Lickenbrock, Katie Schutzenhofer, Lisa Morrison, Lauren Puszek, Jolene Harris, Robyne Fields, Tiffany Ballew, Rachel Mueller and Denise Mueller.

Receiving adult Girl Scout pins were: assistant leaders Donna Langenstein and Karen Puszek.

Adults who received the Cookie Rally Patch were: Debra Ryan, Karen Schutzenhofer, Helen Mueller, Debra Morrison, Karen Puszek and Kathy Lickenbrock.

Ladies Sodality elects officers

The St. Elizabeth Ladies Sodality elected officers at its Nov. 28 meeting.

Elected were: president, Nancy Norris; vice president, Catherine Ponce; secretary, Mary Evelyne Yench; and treasurer, Agnes Friedel.

The officers were installed at the Ladies Advent Party on Dec. 7.

Norris presided in the absence of the president. There were 38 members present.

Reports were given covering the Christmas Bazaar held Nov. 12.

Announcements were made of the following upcoming events: Nursing Home Party to be held at Colonial Haven on Dec. 12, with Linda Bukovac and Carmen Schwartz, chairmen; and the Parish Advent Dinner-Dance on Dec. 16, chaired by Dorothy Votupal.

The meeting in January will be a layette shower for Church Women United and will be hosted by mothers of kindergarten students.

The "Quilt of the Month" winner was Veronica Williamson; "Pot of Gold" winner, Maxine Czarniejewski; Madonna winner, Kathi Hitt; and attendance prize, Joyce Mills. Refreshments were served by mothers of seventh-grade students.

Following the business session, entertainment was provided by the Dance Studio of Granite City under the direction of Tomi Pollock.

Nurse alumnae celebrate holidays

A Christmas party for the St. Elizabeth Alumnae members and their guests was held at the Price Support Center on Dec. 5.

A dinner was served, and each person attending was given favors and a gift. Members received new itinerary booklets for 1990.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. March 20 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Attending were: Isabel Cariss, Louis Pittman, Shirley Wendel, Janice Wendel, Delores Stalecker, Marge Huker, Ruth Smith, Jean Butch, Ruth Novacich, John McKay, Ann Klarich, Al Klarich, Dorothy Bruce, Bernadine Cooley, Eunice Ors, Audrey Sperry, Marie Richardson, Alma M. Ryan, Mildred King and Josephine Czervinski.

Also, Billie Bosworth, Leonard Robbers, Frances Robbers, Richard Jones, Marietta Jones, Roberta Gerke, Marjorie Finley, Alberta Rongey, Helen Gages, Sophia Laskey, Alice Dineff, Dorothy Geroff, Chris Geroff, Betty Geroff, Dorothy Lewis, Faye Ryan, Amelia Rapp, Sharon Mansini, Peggy Morrison, Joe Lucido, Maxine Carson, Howard Carson, John Phillips and Genevieve Phillips.

George and Dorothy Vasiloff entertained with Christmas music.

Memorial service observed by Elks

The Elks observed its annual memorial services for past members who had died: Past Exalted Ruler Harry Taylor, B.E. Holt, William Corrigall, William Hart, Robert Warford, Elmer Foreade, Herman Schroeder and Walter Simmons.

Exalted Ruler Dennis Riggs presided, and the officers performed ritual services. Rev. Linda Shugart of the Mitchell Presbyterian Church gave the sermon.

The Collinsville Show Choir, under the direction of A. Bilderback, sang. Following was a reception prepared by Rosemary Riggs and Paula Thouvenot.

The initiation of Bill Gattong was performed during the Elks' district deputy visit. Riggs and the officers performed the ritual, with District Deputy Herschel Jones of Granite City and the district officers in attendance.

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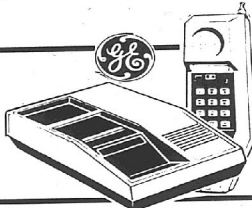
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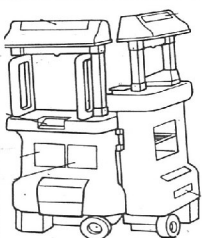


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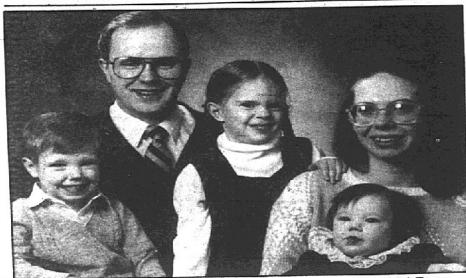
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BECOMING THE FIRST full-time pastor of Bethel Evangelical Free Church of Granite City is Steven Hurd, posing with his wife, Karen, and their three children.

Pastor accepts call here

Steven B. Hurd has accepted a call to be pastor of Bethel Evangelical Free Church of Granite City. The call resulted from a unanimous vote of the membership on Dec. 3. He will be the church's first full-time pastor.

Robert Widin of St. Louis had been the part-time pastor of the church for more than 40 years. He retired from that office on Nov. 5. Hurd had served as interim pastor since June after Widin had announced his plans to retire, and as interim pastor between Nov. 6 and Dec. 3.

Hurd holds a bachelor's degree from Northeast Missouri State University, where he studied with a double major in psychology and criminal justice. He will soon receive a master of divinity degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

Hurd and his wife Karen Ruth will have three children, Kathryn Ann, 5; David Lee, 3; and Ruth Elaine, 1.

Bethel Evangelical Free Church is at 2450 Stratford Lane at Maryville Road in Granite City.

Swing Choir sings at Central Christian

The Swing Choir of Granite City High School, under the direction of Gail Mueller, presented two groups of songs for the Ladies Coterie at its Christmas party on Dec. 7 at the Central Christian Church luncheon.

Following a medley of Christmas tunes, Millie Meek introduced Mueller, who said she appreciated the past support of scholarships given by the Ladies Coterie.

The club voted to obtain pointsettias from the Spinal Cord Society for three members who are in a nursing home.

Mrs. James Fox delivered a verbal thank-you from Mrs. Ed Reiske for all the club had done for her while she was ill.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to Mesdames James Fox, Emmett Beeler, Marvin Eddington, Leonard Oram and George Filcoff.

Prior to the program, a luncheon, prepared by the women of the church, was served.

Tables were decorated with handmade cloth Christmas trees, a copper angel candelabra and lighted red candles. On the decorating committee were Mrs. David Friedman and Mrs. Leonard Oram.

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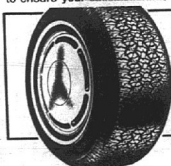
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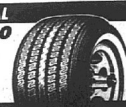
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SEMC's Obstetrics designated as Level II

GRANITE CITY — The Obstetrics Department at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, has been designated as a Level II perinatal facility for maternal and newborn care, the Illinois Department of Public Health has announced.

"The Illinois Department of Public Health anticipates a working relationship that will greatly benefit the high-risk mothers and infants in the perinatal region served by St. Elizabeth Medical Center," said Dr. Bernard J. Turnock, director of Public Health.

"Basically, this is another way to ensure better care for our mothers and babies," said Pat Schrader, OB supervisor here. "Our labor and delivery area was already at Level II standards so we could take care of higher risk moms. We upgraded the nursery to have the same capability for the babies. The input from the Cardinal Glennon and St. Mary's hospitals was a big help."

Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and St. Mary's Health Center are designated as Level III regional perinatal facilities.

They care for the highest risk babies and mothers.

"We will be able to take care of babies and mothers with higher risk levels than before. This includes a baby with a lower birth weight or a baby or mother with an additional medical problem," Schrader said.

"We can also accept transfers back from Cardinal Glennon and St. Mary's. We can take care of babies who were high risk and were stabilized in St. Louis, but need to be kept in a medical-center setting until they are well enough to go home."

enough to go home."

Illinois mandates that perinatal care be given according to regions, to ensure better and more affordable care and to prevent duplication of services.

"We had to meet the national standards on perinatal care that Illinois uses," Schrader said. "They included the amount of room needed per crib, oxygen access, the number of electrical outlets and even where to put the sink. Maintenance did all the renovations."

The new designation will mean some changes in the procedures used for all babies at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

"We will put all babies into the Level II nursery for the first eight hours," Schrader said. "Then, after they are stable, we can move them to the regular nursery."

In addition to upgrading the facilities, the OB Department is upgrading its education and training as well.

All the nurses in the unit took

part in the perinatal continuing education program, earning an average of 55 continuing education units apiece.

"It was a good chance for them to sharpen their skills," Schrader said. "We also sent nurses to a two-day resuscitation training workshop."

"They will be training the other nurses, and we will be doing drills to practice the new skills." Those interested in learning more about any of the services that the OB Department at SEMC offers may call 796-3040.

Divorces

EDWARDSVILLE — The marriages of the following local couples were recently dissolved by the Third Circuit Court:

Gary W. Jensen of Granite City and Soula (Filas) Jensen of St. Louis. They were married Sept. 27, 1985.

Kelly Bennett Ross of Granite City and Linda Kay (Gilmore) Ross of Alton. They were married Aug. 7, 1987.

Andrew Lane Dexter of Rupert, Ind., and Jean Leigh (Perkins) Dexter of Madison. They were married Dec. 11, 1981.

Scott Ray Gant of Granite City and Vonda K. (Crockett) Gant of Shumway. They were married Nov. 25, 1983.

Sergio De La Cruz Romero of Los Angeles and Barbara Ann (Jones) Romero of Granite City. They were married Feb. 24, 1984.

Robert S. Sutton of Edwardsville and Sherry L. (Duboise) Sutton of Pontoon Beach. They were married Nov. 10, 1984.

Jung Lok Shin of New York City and Yong Sun (Kim) Shin of Granite City. They were married Jan. 25, 1985.

Douglas Alan Peterson Sr. of Godfrey and Sandra Gayle (Wilmoth) Peterson of Granite City.

They were married Sept. 28, 1978. Kevin Dwayne Perigo and Rebecca Lee (Robinson) Perigo, both of Granite City. They were married July 24, 1982.

William Lee Van Hoose III of Granite City and Cheryl Violet (Pryor) Van Hoose. They were married Nov. 22, 1986.

Kirk J. MacKintosh of Waynesville, Mo., and Spring J. (Boone) MacKintosh of Granite City. They were married Aug. 6, 1988.

Marvin Darrell Watson of St. Louis and Patricia Sue (Moody) Watson of Granite City. They were married May 5, 1975.

James Louis Wagner of St. Louis and Lisa Jean (Smith) Wagner of Granite City. They were married Jan. 22, 1977.

Steven Wilson Shepherd of Granite City and Denise Marcel Camarillo of Oklahoma. They were married Oct. 19, 1985.

Keith E. Pryor and Rose M. (Hornerkamp) Pryor, both of Granite City. They were married April 7, 1978.

Bruce Edward Newell and Tammy June (Battles) Newell, both of Granite City. They were married Nov. 23, 1987.

Dennis Raymond Crable of Granite City and Susan Elaine

(Haferkamp) Crable of O'Fallon, Mo. They were married in January of 1988.

Peter Jateff of Fairmont City and Kathleen (Earney) Jateff of Granite City. They were married Aug. 17, 1981.

Frank N. Drenner of Granite City and Deborah A. (Fortner) Drenner of Williamsburg, Mo. They were married Nov. 25, 1983.

Keith A. Becker of Edwardsville and Tamara L. (Widel) Becker of Granite City. They were married May 13, 1989.

Terry Lee Townsend and Victoria Ann (Pieper) Townsend, both of Granite City. They were married May 23, 1981.

Bobby Gene Young and Mary Patricia (Willaret) Young, both of Granite City. They were married Aug. 29, 1988.

William Gerald Foote of Edwardsville and Mary Lee Foote of Granite City. They were married April 27, 1984.

Daryl Ray Monroe and Delyne Rochelle (Downing) Monroe, both of Granite City. They were married July 15, 1977.

James Harold Seders Sr. of Granite City and Mary Marie (Bess) Seders of Houma, La. They were married Sept. 3, 1975.



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Robert King

Robert King of Granite City recently enlisted in the U.S. Army. According to his recruiter, Sgt. Norma Washington of the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, 3675 Nameoki Road, Pvt. King has received the Army's written guarantee that he will receive the training in the job specialty of his choice, M1 ABRAMS tank systems mechanic.

Pvt. King will graduate from Granite City High School in June 1990. He will take basic and advanced individual training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. reporting for duty there on July 19, 1990.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles King of Granite City. Young people who can meet the Army's physical and aptitude standards may call Sgt. Washington at 876-5850 to learn more about Army opportunities.

Information is available on the Army's Delayed Entry Program (DEP) through which a recruit can join the service and take up to 365 days before beginning active duty. The GI Bill plus the Army College Fund whereby a recruit can accumulate as much as \$25,200 toward future college expenses, she said.

Details about cash bonuses, skill training, educational aid, travel options and other benefits the Army has to offer also may be obtained by contacting Sgt. Washington, she said.

Scott Ivie

Marine Cpl. Scott R. Ivie, son of Elmer C. Ivie of Granite City, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 3rd Marine Corps Aircraft Wing at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

A 1984 graduate of Granite City High School, Ivie joined the Marine Corps in November 1984.

Matthew Rogers
Marine Cpl. Matthew M. Rogers, son of Michael R. and Vicki L. Rogers of Granite City, has completed recruit training at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

During Roger's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

Roger's studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in physical education and hygiene.

He is a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School.

Jeffrey Harp
Air Force Staff Sgt. Jeffrey S. Harp, son of Paul C. Harp of Granite City, has arrived for duty at March Air Force Base in California.

Harp is an in-flight refueling operator technician with the 6th Air Refueling Squadron. He is a 1977 graduate of Granite City High School.

Dennis Casey
Marine Pvt. Dennis R. Casey, son of Mary J. Wingenter and stepson of Jerry D. Wingenter of Granite City, has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif.

During the 11-week training cycle, Casey was taught the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the physical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

Casey also participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill.

Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

A 1988 graduate of Granite City High School, Casey joined the Marine Corps in October 1988.

Jeffrey Thompson
Pvt. Jeffrey K. Thompson has completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., where he was instructed in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid and Army history and traditions.

Thompson is the son of Catherine Eicher of Troy and Richard D. Thompson of Mitchell.

Christopher Laymon
Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Christopher J. Laymon, son of Connie M. Spiker of Granite City, has completed the Advanced First Term Avionics (aviation electronics) Course.

During the 26-week course at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Millington, Tenn., Laymon studied airborne communications, fire control systems and anti-submarine warfare systems. In addition to the technology of these systems, he studied mathematics, physics, electronic theory and the operating principles of digital and analog computers.

A 1988 graduate of Granite City High School, Laymon joined the Navy in June 1988.

Michael Staples

Pvt. Michael L. Staples has completed basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid and Army history and traditions.

Staples is the son of Virginia Staples of Granite City. His wife, Kathy, is the daughter of Nathan and Sharon K. Brewer of Mitchell.

James Gilmore

Marine Sgt. James O. Gilmore, son of Vern Gilmore of Madison, recently reported for duty with 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at Iwakuni, Japan.

A 1977 graduate of Madison High School, Gilmore joined the Marine Corps in August 1977.

Derek Wise
Army Reserve Pvt. Derek L. Wise has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Wise is the son of Dorothy M. Wise of Eagle Park. He is a 1988 graduate of Venice High School.

Jeffrey Martin
Navy Seaman Recruit Jeffrey J. Martin, son of James L. Martin of Holiday Mobile Homes, recently reported for duty aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Sappan, homeported in Philadelphia.

A 1988 graduate of Granite City High School, Martin joined the Navy in July 1988.



Gregory Ehlers
... completes basic

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Airman Gregory Ehlers of Granite City has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, near San Antonio, Texas.

In the six weeks of training, Ehlers studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

Airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Ehlers is the son of Carolyn A. Ehlers of Granite City. He is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School.

The airman's wife, DeAnn, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lee of Briarhaven Drive.

Edward LaRue

Marine Cpl. Edward L. LaRue, son of George A. and Edward L. LaRue Sr. of Ponton Beach, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 2nd Force Service Support Group at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

LaRue joined the Marine Corps in March 1985.

Gary Stanley

Pvt. Gary L. Stanley has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Stanley is the son of Velma Stanley of Madison.

Mark Haeffner

Mark R. Haeffner has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal in West Germany.

The Achievement Medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other accomplishments.

The soldier is a field artillery system mechanic with the 41st Field Artillery.

Haeffner is the son of Sharon M. Haeffner of Ponton Beach and Dale S. Haeffner of Troy.

He is a 1980 graduate of Granite City High School North.

Dwight I. Briggs

Marine Staff Sgt. Dwight I. Briggs, son of Retha Briggs of Madison, recently reported for duty with 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N.C.

A 1976 graduate of Madison Senior High School, Briggs joined the Marine Corps in June 1976.

James Crowder

Air Force Tech. Sgt. James M. Crowder has arrived for duty at Beale Air Force Base, Calif.

Crowder is a fire protection supervisor with the 9th Civil Engineering Squadron.

The son of Lillie Crowder of Madison, the sergeant graduated in 1976 from Venice High School. He received an associate degree in 1978 from Lincoln College.

David Breden

David A. Breden, son of Ann H. and George R. Breden of Madison, has been appointed a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force.

The new non-commissioned officer completed training in management, leadership, human relations and NCO responsibilities before being awarded this status.

Breden is a security specialist at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., with the 351st Security Police Group.

His wife, Cheryl, is the daughter of Edward F. and Beverly Lenzi of Granite City.

Breden is a 1983 graduate of Granite City High School South.

Vance Reznack

Marine Lance Cpl. Vance M. Reznack, son of Louis and Florence A. Reznack of Granite City, recently reported for duty at Marine Corps Base at Camp Butler, Okla.

A 1985 graduate of Granite City High School, he joined the Marine Corps in August 1985.

James Hoffman

Pvt. James A. Hoffman recently joined forces with some 1,500 other soldiers from the 9th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash., and civilian crews in battling forest fires raging out of control in the great Northwest.

More than 84,000 acres of forest in and around Baker County, Oregon, suffered extensive fire damage.

Hoffman is the son of Lucy J. and Robert E. Hoffman of Kirkpatrick Homes.

His wife, Danielle, is the daughter of Daniel R. and Betty J. Tubbs of Kirkpatrick Homes.

Hoffman is a 1985 graduate of Granite City High School.



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Feds set stricter rules for 3-county incinerator

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — County officials say new federal regulations will not affect plans to build a municipal garbage incinerator for St. Clair, Madison and Monroe counties.

However, a spokesman for Kato-Seghers Inc., the firm likely to build the proposed waste-to-energy plant, voiced concern over several of the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines released Nov. 30.

Among other things the new regulations would impose strict or smoke emission standards,

require municipalities seeking incinerators to recycle at least 25 percent of all city garbage, and prohibit the burning of lead-acid batteries.

"We can't have a recycling or separation system at the plant, it would cost too much," said Arthur Beckman, vice president of the St. Louis-based incinerator company.

"The municipalities will have to make sure that the material they bring us satisfies these new requirements," Beckman added, referring to recycling levels and battery burning restrictions.

In response to state demands, the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council conducted a two-year, \$350,000 comprehensive waste management study for the three counties. The study outlined proposals for a 1,500-ton waste-to-energy plant near Alton, or two smaller incinerators in Alton and Granite City.

Frank Boyne, a member of the St. Clair County Board's Solid Waste Subcommittee, said the tri-county area is "nowhere near meeting the 25 percent recycling requirement."

However, he said, "Completion of a new incinerator is at least 10 years down the line, so we have plenty of time to meet (the federal guidelines)."

According to an EPA press release, the new guidelines were issued in response to "interest by local officials in recycling and the use of incinerators to manage growing volumes of municipal waste."

However, the rules come in the wake of a growing campaign by environmental groups to impose a moratorium on the construction of new incinerators because of their impact on air quality.

"Incineration is dangerous, expensive and unnecessary," said consumer advocate Ralph Nader at a press conference sponsored by a coalition of environmental groups prior to EPA's

release of the new guidelines.

The 25 percent recycling goal is "designed to provide a cloak of environmental legitimacy for incineration programs, which we can expect to develop unchecked even if the goal is adopted," Nader said.

No travel for Costello, Poshard

By Sabrina Eaton
P-RJ Washington bureau

WASHINGTON — With Congress in recess until January, federal legislators from this region are visiting their districts and traveling to Israel, Turkey and Eastern Europe on trips financed by taxpayers and private groups.

House Majority Leader Richard A. Gephardt of St. Louis County scheduled a congressional fact-finding trip to Poland, Czechoslovakia and East Berlin from Dec. 10 to Dec. 15.

"He will be learning more about the situation there, talking with government officials and political activists, and also Americans who are working over there," said Gephardt press secretary Deborah Johns.

Cartersville Democrat Glenn Poshard, D-Ill. 22nd Dist., will be joined on visits to hospitals in southern Illinois by Rep. Michael Synar, an Oklahoma Democrat with whom he is

working on rural health care legislation.

Sen. Christopher S. "Kit" Bond, R-Mo., will travel to Israel at the end of December on a trip sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said Bond spokesman David Ayers. Bond also has tentative plans to accompany a congressional delegation to South America.

Rep. Harold Volkmer, D-Hannibal, Mo., will accompany three other congressmen on a visit to Turkey at the expense of the Foreign Policy Institute of Ankara, Turkey. The trip will focus on Turkey's pivotal role as the only NATO country that borders the Soviet Union.

Sen. John C. Danforth, R-Mo., Sen. Pat Simon, D-Missouri Reps. William L. Clay, D-St. Louis, and Jack Buechner, R-Kirkwood, and Illinois Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Bellefonte, will divide their attention between Washington, D.C., and their districts, spokesmen said. None are

planning foreign travel. The schedule of Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Ill., has not been finalized, said spokesman Bill Adams.

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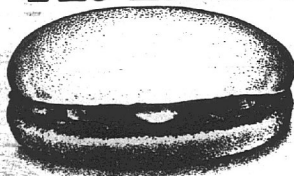
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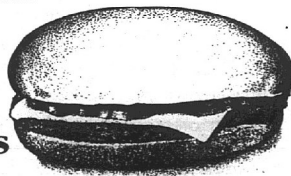


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NFPA lists heating equipment top cause of home fires

In this decade, more than 800 people per year have died in their homes from fires begun by heating equipment, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

The NFPA lists heating equipment as the No. 1 one cause of home fires in the United States.

"Fireplaces, chimneys and space heaters cause nearly two-thirds of these fires, and more than half of all the civilian deaths resulting from home heating fires are caused by wood stoves, portable kerosene heaters, portable electric heaters and fixed-area, gas-fueled heat-

ers," said association President Robert W. Grant.

Nearly all of these fires and fatalities could have been prevented, according to the NFPA. Major causes include lack of regular cleaning; failing to allow space for portable and space heaters; basic flaws in construction or design of wood-burning heating equipment; and improper fueling of liquid- and gas-fueled heating equipment.

When purchasing new heating equipment, the NFPA recommends you select products which have been tested and approved by an independent testing labo-

ratory. Install and maintain heating equipment correctly and be sure it complies with local fire and building codes.

The association offers these suggestions to prevent a heating equipment fire in your home:

• Portable heaters — can be either electric-powered or kerosene-fueled. Both types must be placed at least 36 inches away from anything combustible, including wallpaper, bedding, clothing, pets and people.

Never leave space heaters on when you leave home or go to bed.

Don't leave children or pets

unattended with space heaters and be sure everyone knows that drying wet mittens or other combustibles over space heaters is a fire danger.

• Fireplaces — Have your chimney inspected by a professional prior to the start of every heating season and cleaned if necessary. Cressote, a chemical substance that forms when wood burns, builds up in chimneys and can cause a chimney fire if not properly cleaned.

Always protect your home and your family by using a sturdy screen when burning fires.

Remember to burn only

wood — never burn paper or pine boughs, they can float out the chimney and ignite a neighboring house.

Never use flammable liquids in a fireplace. If purchasing a factory fireplace, select one listed by a test laboratory.

• Wood stoves — Be sure your wood or coal stove bears the label of a recognized testing laboratory and meets local fire codes. Follow manufacturers' recommendations for proper use and maintenance.

Be sure to check with your local fire department and check local codes before having your

wood stove installed.

Burn only wood and be sure the wood stove is placed on an approved stove board to protect the floor from heat and hot coals.

Chimney connections and chimney flues should be inspected at the beginning of each heating season and cleaned periodically. Follow the same safety rules for wood stoves as you would for space heaters.

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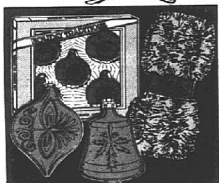
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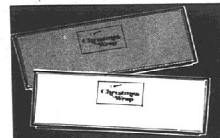
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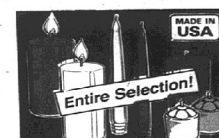
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Woman gets joy playing Santa to needy families

By Andy Slering
Staff writer

PONTON BEACH — She's making her list, checking it twice. Gonna find out ... who needs it the most.

She is Dottie Farrell, and this is the seventh year she has conducted her own little Christmas toy drive for needy children. By the time she is done, she will have brought a little holiday cheer to more than 200 area youngsters.

Farrell solicits area businesses and individuals every year to raise between \$2,500 and \$3,000 to buy new and used toys. She repairs those that need repair, wraps them and gives them to needy children's parents to give to their children.

"I don't want to take dignity away from the parents," Farrell said. She said that particular aspect of her philosophy of giving stems from an experience she had while growing up in Kennett, Mo., the oldest of eight children in a poor family.

One year she got a Christmas toy donated by a kindly person. Her mother started crying as she opened it.

"I said, 'Why are you crying, momma?' She said, 'I just wish Dad and I had been able to give it to you.'"

But she has also arranged for families to "adopt" other families for Christmas. She said sometimes those donors want to remain anonymous.

"I tell them, 'You can do that, but you're cheating yourself by not seeing how grateful they (the recipients) are.'"

One couple adopted a family several years ago and went all out buying toys and baking cookies. At Farrell's insistence, they visited the family on Christmas Eve, intending to stay for only a few minutes.

They stayed four hours.

"Dottie," the wife told Farrell,

"The best things in life are free... — compassion for your fellow man, and to be taught right and wrong as a child."

Dottie Farrell

"It was the greatest Christmas ever."

Farrell said she got the idea for her toy drive in 1984 while visiting a friend who owned a gift shop. A few days earlier, the owner of a local construction company had given the woman \$1,000 with instructions to give gifts to needy families.

"I was touched by his generosity," Farrell said. Then she thought, "If he is so concerned, there have to be other people who feel that way."

It's a time-consuming job for Farrell. What does she get out of it? That is best illustrated by the Christmas memories she has of Christmases past.

One year, she had a second-hand tricycle she couldn't quite figure out who should get. It was right before Christmas, and a woman came by to pick up some gifts Farrell had for her family. With her was a little boy.

He saw the tricycle and his eyes got big. Exclaiming to his mother, "Mom, there's my bike!" he ran over and hopped on it.

His embarrassed mother said, "Oh, Santa Claus might not have got that for you."

Dottie Farrell beamed as she finished the story. "I said, 'Oh, yes he did!'"

She told the mother, "Faith does work in mysterious ways!"

Farrell also gives away food and clothing. She emphasized that she couldn't spread the joy she spreads "without the help

and generosity of others giving, caring and sharing."

Sometimes the body needs nourishing as well as the spirit. Last year, Farrell took toys and food baskets to a family in which the father was sick with cancer.

"The kids overlooked the gifts. They said, 'Look, mom, food!' When a child overlooks gifts, you know they're really hungry."

Farrell said she got her Christmas spirit from her mother, who despite being 86 and nearly blind "crochets all year long to make lap robes for people in nursing homes. That tells you where my roots are," Farrell said.

"The best things in life are free," Farrell said. "But some people don't even know what those things are — compassion for your fellow man, and to be taught right and wrong as a child."

(Anyone wishing to contribute money, toys, clothing or food to Farrell's Christmas project may call her at 797-0084 or write her at 6 Eastgate Drive, Pontoon Beach, Ill. 62440.)



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Bermuda is the place for spring

By Randy Mink
For the Journal

Bermuda connoisseurs who cherish the spring Rendezvous season know that good times don't require sand and 82-degree weather.

Rendezvous time, which began Nov. 15 and runs through March, is Bermuda's spring. It is a perfect time—not too hot or cold—for playing golf and tennis as well as poking into the island's treasure-filled coves. Temperatures reach the high 60s or low 70s, with nights around 60 degrees.

Bermuda is an isolated Atlantic island group about 600 miles off the coast of North Carolina. The self-governing outpost of Mother England is closer to New York than to Nassau. Bermuda's main island (really seven isles connected by bridges and causeways) is about 20 miles long and 2½ miles across at its widest point.

Whereas winter is the prime tourist season in the Caribbean, Bermuda is busiest from April to October. And in contrast to developing nations in the West Indies, Bermuda boasts the world's highest standard of living, according to World Bank rankings. To preserve its enviable quality of life, the stylish British bastion bans outdoor advertising and neon signs, prohibits tourists from renting cars and is fussy about hotel development.

The bargain-priced Rendezvous season, when hotel rates plunge as much as 40 percent, is the period favored by Bermuda aficionados who come back time and again, as much for the private club atmosphere and cooler weather as for the good value.

Weekly rendezvous events spotlight Bermuda's history and culture. Scheduled for a Monday in Hamilton, for example, are free guided walking tours of the capital; a Skirling Ceremony with kilted bagpipers, drummers and dancers; and a fashion show with complimentary tea and cake.

Rendezvous season also is tee time in Bermuda, with golf tournaments offering prizes and reduced rates. Playing under ideal conditions, golfers tend to get better scores and seldom have to wait in line. Special one-week golf packages will be available during the Bermuda Golf Festival, Feb. 19 to March 3.

Long known as a golfer's haven, Bermuda offers more courses per square mile than any other country. Six of its eight courses are public. Hilltop greens afford stunning views of turquoise sea and white-roofed pastel cottages.

For indoor pleasures, nothing could be cozier and more British than afternoon tea by the fire-side in a homey parlor appointed with antiques. Proprietors of hotels, guest houses and typically Bermudian cottage colonies provide complimentary cookies and finger sandwiches or some-thing warm scones with thick jam and clotted cream.

The quiet Rendezvous season most of all is a time to explore. These cooler months beckon the true vagabond, the traveler who drools at the thought of being unleashed on a beautiful island and having it almost to himself. There's time to wander down flower-festooned lanes, poke into museums and commune with the past.

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Every storybook cottage in St. George's seems to merit a picture as you meander Needle and Thread Alley, go down Aunt Peggy's Lane and duck in the Featherbed Alley Print Shop with its working 18th century press. The town's showcase

building is St. Peter's, the western hemisphere's first Anglican church. Tourists always remember the fragrant cedar rafters, which date from 1713.

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'Prancer' is saccharine, slow Christmas fantasy

Nothing can equal a bride's faith in her new husband unless it's a child's belief in Santa Claus. That's the theme of "Prancer" (R), a film fantasy in which an apple-cheeked rumpet sends a maimed reindeer home to the world's best navigator of chimney tops.

The pace of "Prancer" is more of a trot than a gallop, and there are draughts of treacle in the dialogue that may gag cynics in the audience. But the picture does offer strong adult performances by Cloris Leachman as a cantankerous bank president, Abe Vigoda playing a crusty veterinarian and Sam Elliott cast as widowed apple farmer John Riggs.

Riggs is raising two children alone, trying to sell enough Jonathans to pay the mortgage on his spread, and give his kids a few Christmas gifts. Then his daughter Jessica (Rebecca Harrell) finds Prancer, one of Santa's sleigh-pullers, wounded in the woods near her farm. She houses him in a barn and with the aid of veterinarian Vigoda, her own gentle nursing and Prancer's brave heart, Jessica pulls the beast through.

But she knows her father will be as cross as two sticks when

he finds out about all this, especially since they haven't been communicating too well lately. He would just as soon shoot the thing, along with sending Jessica off to live with a well-heeled aunt who will cloth and educate her while he and Jessica's older brother work the apple farm.

Jessica pulls off a variety of neat tricks to keep Prancer safe, the local newspaper publisher becomes involved and, suddenly, Jessica's efforts in behalf of San-

ta's fleet-footed helper warm the hearts of even the town's most spiritually numb citizens.

"Prancer" was filmed around the Indiana towns of Three Oaks and LaPorte, the home turf of director John Hancock. He scored in 1973 with "Bang the Drum Slowly," a drama starring Robert DeNiro and Michael Moriarty.

Rated G. Running time: 103 minutes. Critic's review is based on four stars.

Channel 2 team targets crack problem

Channel 2 is offering a documentary called "Crack in the Heartland" from 8 to 9 p.m. Friday. The program looks at the drug problem in Washington, D.C., Miami and St. Louis.

Guns — Gangs in St. Louis." Don Marsh is the reporter on the program. As with the earlier program, "Crack ..." will be

shown to an invited audience of St. Louisans and the resulting "town meeting" will be put on tape and shown at 10:30 p.m. Friday.

"Crack ..." is produced by Channel 2's special projects team of managing editor Stanley Matthews and executive producer LeRoy Hudson. They are the same people who in August made the documentary: "Young

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'Christmas Vacation' full of laughs

This is a bad holiday movie season for cats.

In the 20th Century Fox release, "The War of the Roses," a cat gets backed over by a car in a driveway. In the Warner Brothers release, "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation," a cat is electrocuted by Clark Griswold when he plugs in his Christmas tree.

It's safe to say that the cat-loving crowd will not be meowing about either of these motion pictures.

But for those with less feline sensitivity, "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (**) will be a holiday haul of laugh-out-loud fun as the Griswolds decide to spend a family Christmas at

home with the relatives in the suburbs.

After an ill-fated excursion to the hinterlands of northern Illinois and Jolly Jerry's Saw 'n' Save Xmas Tree Ranch, Clark and the family return to the Chicago suburbs where the next two major mishaps include getting the oversized tree in the house and stringing the homestead with thousands of yellow Christmas lights.

When Clark finally figures out how to get all the lights to work, the glow from the house can be seen in several neighboring suburbs. The local electric utility must go on auxiliary nuclear power every time Clark plugs in the display. The next door neigh-

bors are blinded.

But those are minor inconveniences when compared to the family trouble that ensues as parents, in-laws and country cousin Eddie (Randy Quaid) and his family show up. Eddie has a new dog, appropriately named Snols.

"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" was written by John Hughes, who has been responsible for more Chicago-based comedy than the Democratic party. The film is a perfect comedy vehicle for Chase. Beverly D'Angelo returns as Clark's wife Ellen, but two new, younger actors, Johnny Galecki and Juliette Lewis, play the Griswold kids, Rusty and Audrey.

Also appearing in "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" are Diane Ladd, E.G. Marshall, Brian Doyle Murray and William Hickey.

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Marshall fall fest features creature of haunted class

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Haunted classroom creatures were played by Billy Causey, Sharon and Cathy Tullack and Larry Finley Jr.

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arms. 3. Severe pain, lightheadedness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath may also occur. If you show these symptoms, the American Heart Association says "Get help immediately!"

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Whip Up A Zesty Holiday Party



By Lynn Venhaus
Journal Staff Writer

The urge to have a party has hit. You're in the mood to be a hostess during this hectic time of year. You feel the need to reciprocate for all the functions you've been invited to this year.

But there's not enough time and not enough money. Where there's a will, there's a way. A simple brunch, light lunch or late-night supper can be economical choices that don't have to take a lot of time.

Take advantage of supermarket deli specials and assemble your own cold meat platter. Whip up a zesty mustard spread, make or buy some tasty rolls, and you've got make-your-own sandwiches that will satisfy.

Even inexperienced party-givers can assemble a meat tray in a jiffy. Deli employees will be happy to slice the meats thin for easy folding—just ask. If you prefer hot sandwiches, make barbecued beef in advance and just heat and serve during the party.

For an easy main dish alternative, a robust salami, cheese and vegetable tart will not only taste great but look fabulous on your party table.

If you want to add a few fancy nibbles, stuff giant pitted olives with blue cheese-spiked cream cheese. Cucumbers, with the seeds scooped out and a flavorful cream cheese mixture stuffed inside, can be turned into attractive little snacks—just cut into slices and serve.

A deceptively economical party dish is chicken livers in wine. It is a nice brunch treat that can be made a day ahead. The day of the party, just reheat gently and serve in chafing dish or casserole.

For sweets, a tray of homemade Christmas cookies and some fresh fruit will be a festive finale. Take fork and run in season now and can be dressed up with honey and kirsch (cherry-flavored liqueur) for a refreshing choice. For brunch, make cranberry-orange muffins in a snap with packaged buttermilk baking mix.

Cucumber Appetizers

- 2 pkg. (3 oz. each) chive cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup chopped stuffed green olives
- 3 cucumbers, peeled

Halve cucumbers lengthwise and scoop out seeds with spoon or corer. Combine cheese and olives and fill hollows with cheese mixture. Press halves together; wrap tightly in plastic wrap and chill. Cut crosswise into 1/2-inch slices and serve.

Note: If you want to score cucumbers for an attractive presentation, leave green peel intact. Take fork and run lines through the peel, scoring the entire vegetable. After filling and chilling, cut into slices and serve. Edges will appear scalloped.

Easy Onion Rolls

- 2 loaves (1 lb. each) frozen white bread dough
- 3 tbsp. margarine or butter
- 1 cup coarsely chopped yellow onions

Thaw bread dough according to package directions. Lightly grease 2 9-inch square baking pans.

Divide each loaf of dough into 9 pieces; shape into balls and arrange in prepared pans. Cover with greased waxed paper; let rise in warm place until almost doubled, about 50 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook onions in butter in medium skillet over medium heat until tender, about 5 minutes; cool. Spoon onions over rolls. Bake in preheated 375° oven 20 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from pans and cool on wire rack. Makes 18 rolls.

Deli Meats With Zesty Mustard Spread

- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 2 tbsp. grainy Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp. prepared horseradish
- 1/4 lb. assorted thinly sliced deli meats
- Thin red onion slices (optional)
- Flowering kale or parsley (optional)

Combine mayonnaise, sour cream, mustard and horseradish in small bowl; cover and chill several hours to blend flavors. Shortly before serving, arrange deli meats, onion and kale on large tray around bowl of mustard spread. Makes about 20 servings.

Savory Salami-Vegetable Tart

- 1 sheet (about 8 1/2 oz.) frozen puff pastry
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 tsp. water
- 3/4 cup thin white onion rings (1 small onion)
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 1 1/2 to 2 tsp. olive oil
- 1/4 cup each coarsely chopped red and green bell pepper
- 1/2 tsp. Italian seasoning
- 1/4 tsp. coarse ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup sliced ripe olives
- 1 lb. thinly sliced hard salami
- 1/4 cup (1 oz.) shredded mozzarella cheese

Thaw pastry at room temperature 20 minutes. Unfold; roll on lightly floured surface to 14-by-10 inch rectangle. Cut 1/2-inch wide strips off all sides. Transfer rectangle to baking sheet; brush with combined egg yolk and water. Place strips around outer edges to form rim, trimming as necessary. Brush strips with egg mixture. Bake in preheated 425° oven for 10 minutes, or until pastry is golden. (Check after 5 minutes. If bottom is puffed, remove from oven and prick with fork until pastry deflates. Finish baking.)

Meanwhile, cook onion and garlic in 1 1/2 teaspoon oil in medium nonstick skillet over medium heat 3 minutes. Add bell peppers, Italian seasoning, black pepper and additional oil, if needed. Continue cooking and stirring until peppers are crisp-tender, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in olives.

Remove pastry from oven. Arrange salami over pastry, overlapping slices to fit. Top with sautéed vegetables; sprinkle with cheese. Return to oven to heat through, about 3 minutes. Cut into squares with sharp knife. Makes 20 servings.

Chicken Livers In Wine

- 2 large onions, chopped
- 4 tbsp. butter or margarine
- 24 chicken livers
- All-purpose flour
- Salt and pepper
- 1 lb. mushrooms, halved
- 1 cup chopped cooked ham or fried chopped bacon
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1 cup dry red wine

Saute onions in butter until lightly browned. Cut chicken livers in half, roll in flour seasoned with salt and pepper, and cook in same pan 4 minutes. Remove chicken livers. In same pan, saute mushrooms and ham or bacon lightly. Stir in 1 teaspoon seasoned flour. Cook until brown. Slowly add chicken broth and wine. Return chicken livers to pan and simmer, uncovered, 3 minutes. Makes approximately 8 servings.

Mini Barbecued Beef Sandwiches

- 3 to 4 lb. chuck roast
- Sauce:
- 1 1/2 cup catsup
- 1 pkg. (1 1/2 oz.) onion soup mix
- 1 tsp. chili powder
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 3 tbsp. vinegar
- 2 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tsp. prepared mustard
- 18 small sandwich buns

Heat oven to 350°. Trim fat from meat; place meat in Dutch oven or roasting pan. In medium bowl, stir together all sauce ingredients; pour over meat. Cover; bake, turning meat once or twice, for 2 to 3 hours or until fork tender. Remove meat from sauce; skim off fat layer. Shred meat. Return meat to sauce. Serve on buns. Makes 18 small sandwiches.

Note: A slow cooker can be used. Cut meat to fit cooker; pour sauce over meat. Cook on high 4 to 5 hours or until fork tender. Continue as directed above.

Cranberry-Orange Muffins

- 1/4 cup plus 2 1/2 cups buttermilk baking mix
- 2 tbsp. plus 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. butter or margarine
- 3/4 cup flaked coconut
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1/2 cup orange or vanilla yogurt
- 1/2 cup frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
- 1/2 tsp. finely shredded orange peel (optional)
- 1/4 cup fresh cranberries

For coconut topping, stir together 1/4 cup baking mix and 2 tablespoons sugar. Cut in margarine until crumbly. Add coconut, tossing with crumb mixture to coat. Set aside.

In medium mixing bowl, stir together 2 1/2 cups baking mix and 1/2 cup sugar. In small mixing bowl, beat together eggs, yogurt, orange juice concentrate and, if desired, orange peel. Add yogurt mixture to baking mix mixture, stirring until thoroughly combined. Gently fold in cranberries. Line 16 muffin cups with paper bake cups or lightly grease 16 muffin cups.

Fill prepared cups 3/4 full. Sprinkle with coconut topping. Bake in 375° oven 18 to 20 minutes or until done. Cool on wire racks 5 to 10 minutes; serve warm. Store in airtight container. Makes 16 muffins.

Blue Cheese And Walnut-Stuffed Olives

- 1 oz. blue cheese, crumbled (about 1/4 cup)
- 1 oz. cream cheese
- 1 1/2 tsp. finely chopped toasted walnuts
- 24 whole colossal pitted ripe olives

Combine blue cheese, cream cheese and walnuts. Remove small slices from bottoms of olives so olives will stand. Stuff centers with cheese mixture. Sprinkle with additional walnuts, if desired. Cover and chill until ready to serve. Makes about 2 dozen.

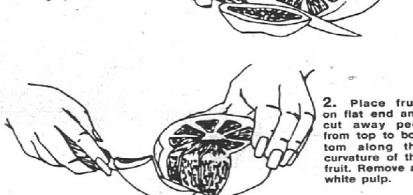
Honey-Kirsch Grapefruit

- 6 red grapefruit
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/4 cup kirsch
- Mint leaves (optional)

Section grapefruit (see illustration). Combine honey and kirsch; pour over grapefruit, stirring gently to combine. Cover and refrigerate 30 minutes to several hours. Spoon into individual glasses or dessert dishes; garnish with mint, if desired. Makes about 12 servings.



1. With a sharp thin-bladed knife, cut off both ends of the grapefruit.



2. Place fruit on flat end and cut away peel from top to bottom along the curvature of the fruit. Remove all white pulp.



3. Cut down along grapefruit section to the center, then turn knife to loosen section and lift out. Remove other sections in the same manner.

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Preparing stew is quick by starting with a convenient cut, beef for stew. These meaty pieces may come from the beef chuck, brisket, rib or plate. Use a nonstick pan with no added fat when browning the beef chunks.

Careful selection of the remaining ingredients also is important when making a lighter stew. A recipe for Mexican Beef Stew is a good example. The vegetables are low-calorie fresh zucchini and bell peppers. The flavoring ingredients—onions, garlic and picante sauce (either mild or medium, depending on "hotness preference")—are low in fat but high in flavor. Single-strength beef broth, rather than the concentrated version, is used. By thickening it with cornstarch instead of flour, less starch is needed.

The result is a stew with Mexican flair and fewer than 300 calories per serving. Other favorite beef stew recipes can be adapted or created by following basic stew cookery techniques and by using the lighter guidelines illustrated in Mexican Beef Stew.

Although stews take time to cook, they require very little watching. Preparation times usually are short. For example, Mexican Beef Stew takes just 10 minutes to prepare.

Mexicali beef stew

1 lb. beef for stew, cut in 1 to 1 1/2 inch pieces, chopped

- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 can (13 1/2 oz.) single strength beef broth
- 1/2 cup picante sauce
- 1 large zucchini, cut in 1/4 inch slices
- 1 large red or green bell pepper, cut in 1 inch pieces
- 2 tsp. cornstarch
- 2 tbsp. water

Brown beef, onion and garlic in nonstick Dutch oven over medium heat. Pour off drippings, if necessary.

Add beef broth and picante sauce. Cover tightly. Cook slowly 1 1/2 hours, stirring occasionally.

Add zucchini and pepper pieces. Continue cooking, covered, 10 minutes or until beef and vegetables are tender.

Combine cornstarch and water. Add to stew. Bring to boil. Cook, stirring, 2 minutes or until thickened.

Makes 4 servings; 294 calories, 29 gm. protein, 14 gm. fat, 12 gm. carbohydrate, 657 mg. sodium, 90 mg. cholesterol each.

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Righteous can enjoy favorites sans guilt

By Janice Denham
Food editor

Amid the holly and berries are all the exciting foods that come to the table once a year. Guilt has no place in the holiday season, so give righteousness a chance by hanging onto the ideal of healthy eating.

Melissa Rudoff, registered dietitian at St. Anthony's Medical Center, says, "Reduce fat, decrease cholesterol and increase fiber—those are the goals of people who are trying to keep their hearts healthy. There is no reason it can't continue during the holidays. And they'll eat good food, too."

Some food labels are like toys advertised as safe but that have hidden dangers.

"Just because a label says 'contains no cholesterol,' it is not necessarily a good food," Rudoff says. "It may be loaded with saturated fat. I feel like people are being tricked. Does it mean a bag of potato chips is OK if it says that on the label? No, they're fried in fat."

Some foods are just the opposite. Eggs, shrimp and lobster are low in fat but high in cholesterol, so the dietitian urges eaters to go slowly on these foods.

She suggests ways to get a hold on healthy holiday eating. Avoiding high-fat and salty snacks is one of them.

"When going to somebody's house, say 'Let me bring some chips and dip.' Then you bring some fresh vegetables and a low-fat dip," Rudoff urges.

There is a long bridge between a dip using sour cream, which has 1.5 gm. saturated fat per 1 tablespoon, and one using yogurt with its .3 gm. saturated fat per 1 cup.

Imitation sour cream is an alternative closest to the real thing in texture and flavor. Low-fat and nonfat yogurt offer other possibilities.

Rudoff likes to make her own sour cream facsimile. She blends 1½ cups (1 percent) cottage cheese, ½ cup low-fat buttermilk and 2 tablespoons lemon juice until smooth. Refrigerated, the mixture will keep 10 days to 2 weeks and taste the scale at 1 gm. saturated fat, 5 mg. cholesterol and 76 calories per 2 tablespoons.

"When cooking, be sure to stir in yogurt or sour cream substitute at the end of the recipe, particularly if the dish is hot," Rudoff says. "Stir it very gently so it doesn't become runny."

Etter does not have to be conceded in holiday recipes. Extracts can be used in place of coconut or nuts to avoid foods

that are high in saturated fat or fat in general. Sprinkle a small amount of nuts on top of baked goods rather than mixing them through.

"When cooking or baking, choose polyunsaturated or monounsaturated margarine," Rudoff says. "Choose oil over margarine when possible. The golden rule is to reduce the amount of fat, so if you take out 1 tablespoon oil, replace it with the same amount of water."

By brand, she suggests Promise margarine because it conforms most closely to these principles. She warns against using other margarines for cookies because the amount of water in them can change the cookie's consistency.

For oil, Rudoff's choice for general use is Puritan, a monounsaturated canola oil. Olive, peanut and avocado oils also fall into this category, but their stronger flavors make them useful only occasionally, like for sautéing or in salad dressing. If a cook prefers using polyunsaturated oil, Rudoff advises sticking to sunflower and safflower because they seem to do a better job of increasing "good cholesterol."

When trying to substitute oil for solid fat, apply the principle that 1 cup shortening equals 1 cup (2 sticks) margarine or ¾ cup oil.

The righteous reveler does not have to give up pie or cake. Rudoff suggests making a pie shell with 1 cup flour, 3 tablespoons Puritan oil and 2 tablespoons cold water. This is mixed and rolled out as usual. Rolling is easier between two pieces of waxed paper. Salt is not necessary.

Eggs have been found to have less cholesterol than in the past, but they are still high for a person carefully watching what he eats.

One-fourth cup egg substitute can be used for 1 egg. Two eggs whites also replace 1 egg and can be camouflaged with a couple drops of yellow food coloring. When using egg substitute in cake recipes, use the equivalent of ¼ cup for 1 egg.

Here are two recipes from Rudoff, one for a salad and the second for an eggless gingerbread.

Gingerbread

1 cup flour
1 tsp. baking soda
½ tsp. ginger
½ tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. nutmeg
¾ cup packed brown sugar

¾ cup water
¼ cup light molasses
2 tbsp. lemon juice

Spray bread pan with non-stick cooking spray.
In medium bowl, stir together flour, baking soda, ginger, cinnamon and nutmeg.

In small bowl, combine brown sugar, water, molasses and lemon juice. Stir into flour mixture just until blended.

Four batter into bread pan. Cover lightly with foil. Bake 25 to 30 minutes at 350° until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean.

Apple-raisin salad

4 golden delicious apples, chopped bite size
¼ cup low-fat vanilla yogurt
¼ cup raisins
1 tbsp. honey
2 tsp. lemon juice
½ tsp. cinnamon

Mix apples and raisins.
Combine yogurt, honey, lemon juice and cinnamon. Mix well.

Stir in apples and raisins. Chill.
Yields three (½-cup) servings.

Recipe

Oatmeal bread

1½ cups water
¾ cup butter or margarine
¾ cup honey
¾ to 6 cups flour
2 cups uncooked oats
2 eggs
2 pkg. dry yeast
1 tsp. salt
1 egg white
1 tsp. water
Uncooked oats

Yields 2 loaves.

Heat water, butter and honey until warm or 120°.

In large mixer bowl, combine 2½ cups flour, oats, eggs, yeast, salt and warm water mixture. Mix 3 minutes, scraping sides of bowl with rubber scraper while slightly rotating bowl by hand.

Knead in 2½ cups flour. Continue kneading 3 minutes. If dough is sticky, knead in enough of remaining ½ cup flour to form moderately stiff dough.
Place in greased bowl, turning

once to grease top. Let rise, covered, in warm place until doubled, about 45 minutes.

Punch down dough. Divide in two equal parts. Shape each piece into loaf. Place in two greased 9-by-5 inch pans. Cover. Let rise until doubled, about 1 hour.

Mix together egg white and water. Brush on loaves. Sprinkle top of loaves with oats.
Bake in 375° oven 40 minutes. Remove from pan. Cool on wire rack.

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Congratulations to our winners from the last turn in for small clubs on December 4.

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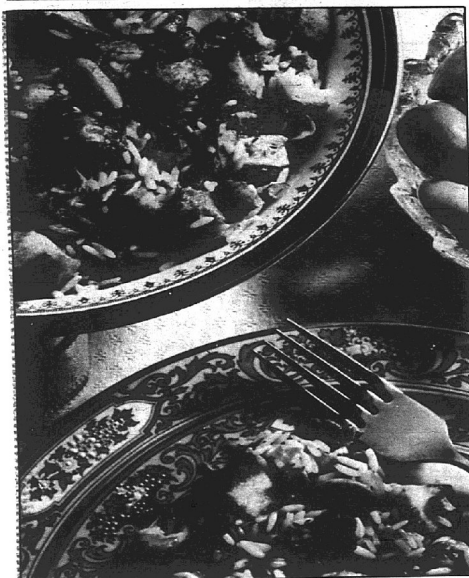
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Stuffing traditional in or out of bird



In the nineteenth century, when turkey became the centerpiece of the American Thanksgiving feast, a debate stirred that continues today: What stuffing complements this bountiful bird?

Early writings indicate that when it comes to stuffing, tradition is strictly a family matter. In 1857, Sarah Hale, an activist in the efforts to make Thanksgiving a national holiday, devoted an entire column in the popular "Godey's Lady's Book" to a chestnut stuffing recipe. But oyster, fruit, rice and cornbread were also popular stuffings of the day.

Today, like then, various regions and ethnic groups show preferences for certain types of stuffing. In the South, for example, pecan and rice stuffings receive rave reviews. Among Italian-Americans, a stuffing of sausage, onion and mozzarella cheese ranks high and many German-Americans prefer stuffing with dried fruit, potatoes or apples.

The varieties abound, with everything from celery, spices, herbs, giblets, mushrooms, olives and onions, mixed into a base of rice, chestnuts, white, whole wheat or cornbread. Whatever the preference, stuffing continues as a popular side dish, not just for the holidays but year-round. By preparing it in a separate dish, it can be served

not just with poultry, but also with cod, veal and other meat and fish.

The following recipes offer a way to try a hand at stuffing any time of the year, with any accompanying entrée.

Bacon and Rice Stuffing, for example, is a delicious blend of mushrooms, onion, celery, French bread cubes, chicken broth and bacon that is simple to prepare.

Just five ingredients are all it takes to prepare Italian Medley Stuffing — Italian sausage, onion, beef broth, frozen Italian-style vegetables and unseasoned bread cubes. This quick and easy recipe is full of rich, zesty flavor.

Bacon and rice stuffing

- 1 can (14½ oz.) chicken broth
- ¼ cup uncooked regular rice
- 6 slices bacon
- 2 tbsp. butter or margarine
- 2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
- ½ cup chopped celery
- ½ cup chopped onion
- 3 cups French bread cut in ¾ inch cubes
- ¼ tsp. thyme leaves, crushed
- 2 tsp. chopped fresh parsley

In 1-quart saucepan over high heat, heat broth to boiling. Add

rice. Reduce heat to low. Simmer, covered, 15 to 20 minutes until rice is tender and broth is absorbed.

In 10-inch skillet over medium heat, cook bacon until crisp. Transfer to paper towels to drain. Crumble.

Heat butter with pan drippings. In hot butter and drippings, cook mushrooms, celery and onion with thyme until vegetables are tender. Add bread cubes. Toss to coat.

In 2-quart casserole, toss together vegetable mixture, rice and reserved bacon. Bake, covered, at 350° for 20 minutes. Uncover. Bake 10 minutes more. Garnish with parsley.

Makes 6 cups or 12 servings.

Italian medley stuffing

- ½ lb. sweet or hot Italian sausage, casing removed
- ½ cup chopped onion
- 1 can (14½ oz.) beef broth
- 2 cups frozen Italian-style vegetables
- 4 cups unseasoned bread cubes

In 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat, cook sausage and onion until sausage is browned and onion is tender, stirring to separate meat.

Add broth and vegetables. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat to low. Simmer, covered, 10 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Add bread cubes. Toss to mix well. Spoon into 12-by-8 inch baking dish. Bake at 350° for 15 minutes. Stir. Bake 15 minutes.

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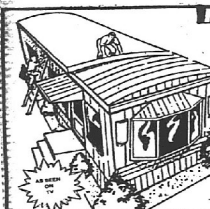


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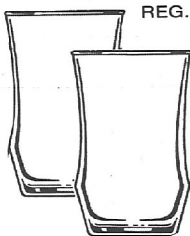
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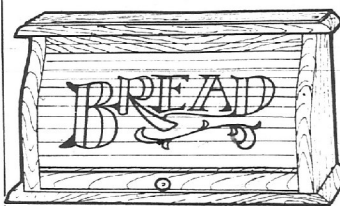


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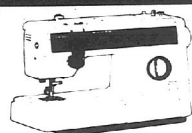


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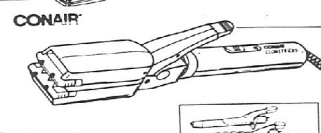

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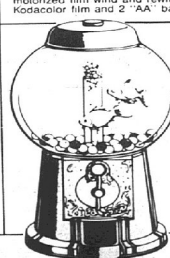
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Half of drivers ignore seatbelt law in county

By Grant Wuellner
For the Journal

EDWARDSVILLE — Nearly half the drivers in Madison County are not wearing seat belts and some are paying for it with their lives, according to a recent survey.

The survey by the Madison County Occupant Protection Program found that 47 percent of adults driving in the county wear their front seat belts. That

is 3 percent more than last year.

Twenty-nine people not wearing seat belts were killed in traffic accidents in 1988. The county coroner's office recorded 59 traffic fatalities that year. Only the deaths of people who died in Madison County are counted. The coroner's office does not include injured people who are transferred out of county and later died.

"The majority of people in

accidents die from a head or abdominal injury and are the consequences of being unrestrained," Chief Deputy Coroner Ralph Baahmann Jr. said.

The survey also found that 74 percent of Madison County children who sit in the front seat were not protected. The state average is about 40 percent.

Illinois law requires all drivers and front-seat passengers 6 and older to wear seat belts.

Two cans of beer equals 33 extra pounds a year

The following tips were provided through the Illinois Department of Transportation, part of its campaign on drunk-driving awareness taking place during the month of December.

1. Know that you may choose not to drink and can say "no" to alcoholic beverages for any reason.

2. Measure the alcohol you use in mixed drinks — 1½ ounces of distilled spirits in a mixed drink is about equal to the alcohol in one 12-ounce beer or 5 ounces of table wine. Diluting spirits with water or fruit juice will slow absorption down.

3. If you decide to drink alcohol, beverages, be particularly cautious about using alcohol when you are going to drive, when other drugs are taken, or

when you are depressed or lonely.

4. Drink slowly and avoid gulping a drink; remember that alcohol is a drug.

5. Know that the calorie content of alcoholic beverages varies considerably. For example, 4 ounces of wine contain about 100 calories; sherry or port — 200; 12 ounces of beer — 160; and 1½ ounces of distilled spirits — 110 calories. Over the course of a year, two cans of beer a day in excess of your normal calorie needs could result in a 33-pound weight gain. A daily glass of wine could add 10 pounds a year.

6. Don't drink and drive. Avoid riding with a driver who is under the influence of alcohol.

7. If you are a woman, realize that alcohol will have a greater

effect on you even if you weigh the same as most men. If you are pregnant or nursing, the safest choice for you and your baby is not to drink.

8. Don't drink alone.

9. Recognize that the use of alcohol for purposes of coping with problems is high risk behavior. If you feel you are having a problem with alcohol, discuss that problem with someone. Sources of help are available from your State Alcohol Authority or from the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol Information.

10. Recognize that, for those individuals who suffer from the illness of alcoholism or for those who experience problems with alcohol, the best decision is not to drink.

Less polarization urged

By Dan Barger
Staff writer

Racism contributes in a major way to a divided metropolitan area. That's the premise of an 18-month study of polarization in the St. Louis area conducted by Confucius St. Louis.

Confucius is a non-profit group that researches racial issues and makes recommendations based on its findings.

The group released the results of its study, "A New Spirit for St. Louis: Valuing Diversity," in a courtroom at the Old Courthouse Downtown where the case against Dred Scott was heard.

The U.S. Supreme Court's Dred Scott decision, on March 6, 1857, held that a slave did not become free when taken into a free state, that Congress could not bar slavery from a territory and that blacks could not become citizens.

Confucius members said there is a historical link between Missouri's slavery days and today.

"The vestiges of the past linger in the present," said Norman Seay, co-chairman of the Confucius Racial Polarization Task Force and director of minority affairs at the University of Missouri, St. Louis.

"We are a divided community. In nearly every criteria, St. Louis is segregated," Seay said.

Lynn Lyss, a community volunteer who also serves as a co-chairman of the task force, said denial of the problem is one of the biggest problems.

"We cannot continue to isolate and exclude a significant portion of our population," Lyss said.

"We continue to deny that racial polarization is a significant problem in St. Louis. The first step this community is to

acknowledge that it exists."

Lyss also said another misconception is that racial polarization is confined to the City of St. Louis, as it is believed by the community at large.

The Confucius task force included business, political and religious leaders, with an equal number of blacks and whites.

Asked to implement the task force recommendations will be the Confucius Implementation Committee, chaired by Rev. Paul C. Reinert, chancellor of St. Louis University, and Kathryn Nelson, program director for the Danforth Foundation.

"We are under no illusion about the seriousness or difficulty of this task," Reinert said. "We are not naive enough to believe that these very deep-rooted problems can be turned around in a short period of time. But we hope to bring St. Louis from polarization to harmony."

Sheila Mosley, executive director of Confucius, compared current events in East Germany to the problems of racial polarization in St. Louis.

"The most important thing we at Confucius are offering is honesty," Mosley said. "We think the walls are coming down all over the world and we think they can come down between white people and black people."

The task force's numerous suggestions included:

• A summit meeting of local political and civic leaders in which they would publicly admit the problems of racism and declare their intentions to oppose racial discrimination.

• Forming a citizen group that would act as a neighborhood integration and take responsibility for developing

strategies to diversify the racial make-up of St. Louis' neighborhoods. It also recommended that the federal court implement the housing component of the school desegregation plan, a component that has not been addressed to date.

• Actively recruiting and promoting black police officers, integrating two-person police cars, passing "bias crime" laws and enacting legislation to return control of the St. Louis Police Department to the city of St. Louis. Currently the state legislature controls the department.

• Integrating public and parochial schools and increasing efforts to make the current public school desegregation plan work; also increasing education in schools to reduce prejudice in all grade levels.

• Establishing a code of ethics for political candidates and reviewing campaign literature to eliminate racially charged political campaigns.

• Planning discussions during redistricting after the 1990 census to determine how to increase black representation on the St. Louis County Council.

• Providing a venture capital fund to promote black entrepreneurs and employment of blacks.

• Having public relations firms promote integrated neighborhoods and reduction of prejudice.

• Urging the news media to use black experts in medicine, dentistry, law and economics in feature stories and to discontinue the use of "north St. Louis" and "south St. Louis" as a geographic

media to assign "race relations" as a regular beat.

Drug program may go statewide

By Rick Arnold
Staff writer

BELLEVILLE — A St. Clair County drug testing program for probationers may next year be implemented statewide if State Rep. Monroe Flinn has his way.

Flinn, D-Cahokia, has been working with Jay Hoffman, county director of corrections, on legislation that would extend the county program throughout Illinois.

A version of the bill presented Dec. 7 to the Illinois House of Representatives' Special Subcommittee on Drug Prevention and Treatment, which held a hearing at the St. Clair County Courthouse.

Flinn was ill and unable to attend. But Hoffman told the panel the program has been highly successful in the six months it has been in operation.

"There has been a 41 percent reduction in the presence of

drugs in adult probationers who previously tested positive for having illegal drugs in their system," Hoffman said.

He said the program was started because studies tell of a growing link between crime and probationers every month, probationers are tested on a monthly basis.

"I don't think people realize the fact that drug use is linked to criminal activity," Hoffman said.

He said about 2,600 St. Clair residents are currently on probation. Since the county doesn't have the resources to test all the probationers every month, a random list of people to be tested is drawn up each month, Hoffman said.

"The big thing is not the people being tested, but the fact that it serves as a deterrent to everybody on probation," he said.

The program was funded this

year through a \$5,000 allocation from the St. Clair County Board, Hoffman said. He's hopeful of receiving matching funds next year from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

All of the subcommittee members expressed support for Hoffman's program, including State Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Troy, who was substituting for an absent panel member.

Stephens narrowly defeated Hoffman in the race for Stephens' House seat last year, and Hoffman has announced that he will run again against Stephens in 1990.

"I'm not going to let a good idea go because of the fact that we may not be comrades or members of the same party," Stephens said. "This is going to take support from both sides of the aisle. I am prepared to work with Rep. Flinn on this."

Cosentino: Emission penalties unfair to motorists

SPRINGFIELD — Jerry Cosentino, a Democratic legislator, has proposed repeal of an Illinois law which he said unfairly targets motorists whose vehicles fail emission standards tests.

Under current law, a motorist faces suspension of his or her license if a vehicle he owns fails the emission test. Cosentino said this law is unfair to motorists who are otherwise good drivers and who drive other vehicles for a living.

Cosentino proposed legislation that would repeal the driver's license suspension provision. Instead, it would result in suspension of the vehicle's registration if the vehicle fails the test.

"The statute now on the books calls for punishment which I believe is not only excessive but also misdirected," Cosentino said. He is state treasurer of Illinois.

"When a motorist's vehicle is unable to meet emission standards, he is not guilty of a moving violation," he stressed.

"People who drive company cars, delivery vehicles and trucks should not have their livelihood simply because their personal vehicle cannot pass the emission test."

"It makes no sense whatsoever to suspend his driving privileges. The vehicle should be the target of correction, not the driver. Therefore, I propose the suspension of the vehicle registration."

tion rather than a motorist's driving privileges."

Cosentino said he has prepared legislation to alter the current statute and will submit the bill when the General Assembly reconvenes in 1990.

Under Illinois law, motorists living in the Chicago and Metro East areas must submit their vehicles for emission testing. One of the testing centers is located in Pontiac, Beach. The tests are not administered to vehicles registered outside those two metropolitan areas.

The law now calls for immediate suspension of a driver's license, plus suspension of the vehicle's registration in 60 days if the vehicle still has not complied with emission standards.

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Candidate for comptroller hits at no-bid contracts

By Dennis McMurray
Staff writer

SPRINGFIELD — A Democratic candidate for state comptroller is continuing to attack no-bid state contracts, alleging they were used to "shake down" firms for political contributions.

Shawn Collins of Joliet, who last month targeted no-bid contracts awarded by Secretary of State Jim Edgar's office to cam-

paign contributors, now is focusing on Illinois Department of Transportation contracts.

Collins noted that 27 of 28 engineering firms that had received no-bid contracts of more than \$500,000 since 1986 had been regular contributors to the campaign fund of Gov. James Thompson.

He alleged a firm that employs former transportation secretary Harry Hanley was giv-

ing an additional \$1.2 million in work shortly after Hanley retired from the state job. Collins alleged it was a "retirement gift."

Collins charged Thompson and current transportation Secretary Greg Baise, who is resigned the post to run for state treasurer, "are either selling no-bid contracts to big contributors or shaking them down after the contracts have been doled out."

He called on the two leading candidates for governor next year, Republican Edgar and Democrat Neil Hartigan, to pledge an elimination of no-bid contracts. Collins said about one-fourth of the \$300 million in no-bid contracts in a recent fiscal year were awarded by IDOT.

Taking bids for engineering work that makes up most of the IDOT no-bid contracts is banned by a federal law when federal

highway funds are used on a project, however, said IDOT spokesman Dick Adorjian.

Competitive price bidding on those types of contracts has been eliminated by federal and state laws because "engineers as well as any other consultants deal in creativity, not commodities," Adorjian said.

Adorjian said IDOT makes a cost estimate before selecting a firm for engineering or other

consultant services. He denied any connection with political contributions because contracts were awarded by a six-member committee of professional engineers, including two not employed by IDOT.

Collins said he was "trying to focus a very bright light on a problem that is disgraceful" in comparing no-bid contract awards and political contributions.

Tips on keeping life of party alive

The following tips were provided through the Illinois Department of Transportation, part of its campaign on drunk-driving awareness taking place during December.

1. Always serve food with alcohol. Tasty snacks are not only a delicious addition to any party but also can slow the rate the body absorbs alcohol.

High-protein foods such as cheese and meats are especially good because they stay in the stomach longer.

2. Have several jiggers at the bar, so mixed drinks can be measured. At an informal party, guests will probably mix their own drinks. If a jigger is handy, they very well may use it rather than pouring what seems to be the "right amount." Also, inexpensive self-measuring one-ounce spouts can be purchased and placed on bottles. Guests will be less likely to drink to excess if standard measures for drinks are used.

3. If you serve an alcoholic punch, make it with a non-carbonated base. Alcohol is absorbed by the body much faster when combined with a carbonated mixer such as ginger ale. Fruit juice or tea is a preferable base for party punches.

4. Have non-alcoholic beverages available for your guests. It is very likely that some of your guests will not wish to drink an alcoholic beverage. Also persons taking certain medicines should not consume alcohol. Have soft drinks, cof-

fee, or non-alcoholic drinks for them.

5. Don't force drinks on your guests. Under normal circumstances, the body can absorb about one drink an hour. Although you want your guests to enjoy themselves, you don't want them to overdo it. Don't rush to refill their glasses the minute they become empty. Many guests accept drinks they really don't want to avoid appearing rude to the host.

6. Stop serving alcohol about an hour before the party is to end. During the last hour of your party, have coffee or some other non-alcoholic beverage available and top off the evening with a special food feature such as pizza or quiche Lorraine. Neither coffee nor any other drink will help sober anybody up. Only time can do that. But by emphasizing non-alcoholic drinks toward the end of the party, you give your guests extra time for their bodies to absorb the alcohol they have consumed. With a low alcohol content in their blood, it will be safer for them to drive home.

7. If you observe a guest who is drinking too much, try this: Engage him or her in conversation to slow down the drinking.

Offer food which will also slow down the rate at which the body is absorbing alcohol.

Offer to mix the next drink and make it a light one. Mix it with water.

Battle lines drawn for St. Clair chair

By Rick Arnold
Staff writer

Supporters are starting to fall in behind their favorite candidate in the race for the Democratic nomination for St. Clair County board chairman in the March primary.

State's Attorney John Baricivic received the endorsement of the Democratic screening committee at its meeting Nov. 27.

Baricivic attributed the committee's endorsement to the good relationship that he has with several segments of the Democratic Party.

"I had worked within various parts of the party: labor, women, blacks, young Democrats," he said.

While Baricivic has gotten the

Recently, Francis Touchette has said he may run for the office after all.

nod from some party leaders, other Democrats say they're in the fight for the duration.

"I'm not trying to be a candidate; I am a candidate," Circuit Clerk Barney Metz said Friday. Metz said he is undaunted by the committee's endorsement of Baricivic.

"There's nothing that can get me out of this race," he said. One of Metz's most powerful supporters is County Board Chairman Francis Touchette, who may step down from the post.

"I have the 100 percent support of Mr. Touchette," Metz said. Metz announced his candidacy Oct. 25 after Touchette said

he would not seek re-election because of health reasons.

But recently, Touchette has said he may run for the office after all. Touchette was recuperating from a hospital stay last week and was unavailable for comment. He holds the office by a vote of the county board.

Metz said his hard work in his 12 years as a county employee qualifies him to be chairman.

"I've always been an 8:30 to 5 worker," he said. "I've always had an open door policy and that's the same way I would run the county."

"The county board chairman is a full-time position. There are many critical decisions that

have to be made, and I feel like I can make those."

Another officeholder who has said he will support Metz in the primary is Sheriff Mead Justus. Justus said he and Baricivic get along well personally and professionally, and he doesn't expect that his support of Metz will affect that relationship.

Justus, who also thought about running for county board chairman himself, said he will run for re-election as sheriff in 1990.

Canteen Township Supervisor Stephen Kokotovich, who announced in September that he was running for county board chairman, has indicated he will stay in the county race.

Another possible candidate, County Board member Tom Holbrook, D-Belleville, was unavailable for comment on his plans.

St. Clair County bicentennial approaching

By Rick Arnold
Staff writer

On the heels of Belleville's 175th anniversary, area residents will have an opportunity next year to celebrate as St. Clair County turns 200 years old.

"Things are going full steam ahead," said Marilyn Neumeier, chairman of the Projects Committee, one of many committees of the St. Clair County Bicentennial Commission.

County Board member Robert Gentsch, R-Belleville, a former history teacher at Belleville East High School, is chairman of the commission.

Neumeier said many activities are being planned for the

15-month bicentennial celebration, which will start in April 1990. It will conclude on July 4, 1991, with a street fair and fireworks display.

One major event will be a homecoming banquet April 27, 1990, in the Main hangar at Scott Air Force Base. U.S. Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Belleville, will serve as master of ceremonies for the \$50 a plate dinner.

Included in the cost of the banquet will be a bicentennial program and a brass commemorative coin made especially for the occasion. Neumeier said.

On one side of the coin will be a replica of the first county courthouse, located in Cahokia, with a replica of the current

courthouse in Belleville on the other side of the coin, she said. The coin will be offered only at the banquet.

Another commemorative item being prepared for the county's 200th birthday is a 1990 calendar with historical facts for each date of the year.

The calendar is the brainchild of Pat Folk, a Dineen professor at McKendree College who is a member of the bicentennial commission's Education Committee. Folk said he got the idea from a colleague, Irwin Halford, who is a European historian at the college.

Folk said that students from about nine county schools gathered information on events

which happened on specific dates, and forwarded the data to him. He and students in the McKendree Historical Society found information for the 160 dates for which the students didn't have material.

Dr. LaRona Morris, special assistant to the St. Clair County regional superintendent of schools, said 30,000 calendars will be printed and given to students at every school in the county.

Morris said that every school will also receive a county flag. Regional Schools Supt. Martha O'Malley said she is considering the possibility of declaring a day in 1990 as Bicentennial Day in all schools countywide.



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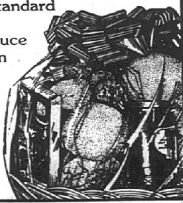
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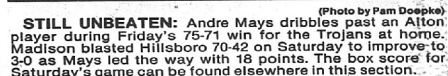
U.S. grouped with favored Italy

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Italian organizers were pleased to see the Americans placed in Rome and Florence, Italy's two biggest tourist cities. U.S. coach Bob Gansler wasn't exactly optimistic about his team's chances against Italy at Rome's Olympic Stadium, calling his squad "dead ducks" for that game, but added he hoped the team could make the best of

The 1994 World Cup will be held in the United States, which means the Americans are auto-

A complete World Cup schedule will appear in a future edition.



By Dave Whaley
Executive sports editor

"I knew scoring points would be a struggle this year," said

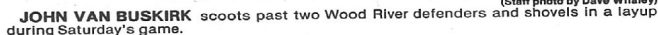
SCORING

GRANITE CITY	6	13	11	22-
WOOD RIVER	4	12	9	12-31

GRANITE CITY: J. Smith 14, B. Smith 12, Birdsong 6 (7 assists, 6 steals), Van Buskirk 7, Wallace 5 (6 steals, 1 3-pointer), Thomas 3, Wickman 3. FG-21/47 (1 3-pointer), FT-6/14, PF-13.

WOOD RIVER: Ridenhour 13 (3 3-pointers), Berry 9, Hendricks 6, Lyberger 4, Sabatino 3 (1 3-pointer), FG-12/40 (4 3-pointers), FT-8/12, PF-11.

"That one took a lot out of us physically and mentally," Ohlen-dorf said. "We were still a little down (Saturday) morning at our



Wallace nailed a three-pointer and fed Jeff Smith for a layup to make it 28-20. Ridenhour, who

"I like Granite City," said Moats. "They have good athletes. (John) Van Buskirk is one of the best in the area and he's

"We put together about three good minutes in the fourth quar-

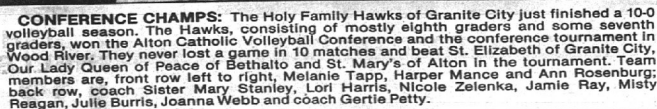
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Chomko named All-American

Chomko is the son of Jim and Marsha Chomko of Granite City.



He is a business management information systems major.





TROPHY WINNERS: Members of the Granite City Judo Club took two firsts and two seconds at the Chicago Open held Dec. 3 in Oak Park, Ill. In front, left to right, are Chris Sumpter, Alicia Kirgan (second) and Ryan Sloss. In the back are Chris Almond (first), Doug Sloss, George Kirgan (first), Mike Urso and Allen Kirgan (second). Allen Kirgan is the head instructor of the club, which meets at the YMCA in downtown Granite City. There were six states represented at the Chicago Open.

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TROPHY HAUL: Students at Mitchell's Tae Kwon Do school of Granite City brought home several trophies from the Tae Kwon Do championships held recently in Desoto, Mo. From left to right are Jeff Hill, Tom Westbrook, Aaron Wallis, Wayne Hopke, Bob Rill and Chuck Warmack. In the back is instructor Ed Mitchell.

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For more information, call Baker at Granite City High School, 451-5808, or at 314-355-2374.

Soccer alumni banquet Dec. 23

The annual Granite City alumni soccer banquet will be held Dec. 23 at St. Gregory's Hall.

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Whitey has plan to revitalize winter meetings

Whitey Herzog has always been one of baseball's clearest thinkers, with his biggest problem usually being that his ideas are ahead of his time.

Such is the case again as Herzog has a plan that would revitalize baseball's winter meetings, which this year turned into a big waste of everybody's time and money.

Only two significant trades were made during the meetings in Nashville, Tenn., the deal sending Joe Carter from the Indians to the Padres and the swap of relievers Randy Myers and John Franco between the Mets and Reds. The primary business of the week was the signing of free agents, which gets precisely to Herzog's plan to juggle up the meetings.

Because so many free agents either haven't signed or are in the process of signing during the first week of December, most clubs have not yet figured out what trades they need to make. Whether or not they sign a particular free agent will go a long way toward determining if they need to make that deal for a starting pitcher or an outfielder that another club is proposing.

Teams don't go to the winter meetings looking to make trades anywhere — they go to meet with the agents and sign free agents, talk to some of the other clubs and make up their list of trade possibilities for the next two months.

It wasn't that way in 1980, when Herzog went to Dallas intent on rebuilding the Cardinals and did it in less than a week through several multi-play-



Rob Rains

er deals. Now, a minor trade is given headline treatment.

What Herzog proposes is that the meetings be held the last week of January, after pro football's Super Bowl, instead of the first week in December. By that time, almost all of the significant free agents will have signed and clubs will have a clearer idea of what trades they need to make.

Herzog isn't alone in his theory. Fellow managers Buck Rodgers of the Expos and Tom Lasorda of the Dodgers endorsed the idea during last week's meetings, as did general managers Del Mays of the Cardinals and Lee Thomas of the Phillies.

The business activities that go on at the meetings, the major and minor league drafts, still could be held by conference call,

as the amateur draft is conducted in June. If the minor league people so desire, they could still have a shorter meeting to conduct their business session and meet with all the company representatives during the trade show.

But the business of bringing all the major league personnel — at least five people from each club — and hundreds of reporters in for a week of false illusions that major trades will be forthcoming is wrong. It would save a lot of money — besides making a lot more sense — if the meetings were held at the end of January.

The ideal step would be to flip-flop the meetings each year between Florida and Arizona. They would serve as a logical start to spring training, would put baseball in the headlines and serve as a reminder that winter was almost over.

The winter meetings used to be much more meaningful than they are now because baseball wanted to be in the news in the middle of winter so it could sell season tickets for the upcoming season. That isn't necessary any-

more — because of free agency, baseball is in the news virtually every day during the winter.

The meetings also used to be more eventful than they are now because there were rigid trading deadlines. If a team wanted to move a player to a team in the other league, the deal had to be completed by the end of the meetings. Now, the only restrictions on making trades are between July 31 and the end of the season, and that rule can be circumvented if a team has waivers on the player involved.

Despite all of the reasons why Herzog's idea makes sense and should be implemented, it likely won't happen, at least anytime soon. The reason, he says, is because it's too logical.

That unfortunately is true of most of Herzog's ideas when it comes to some of baseball's silly rules and ideas.

•Hockey

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might have torn come cartilage," said Henson. "He played the rest of that game, but I think they might have to take some blood off the knee. That hurts because he was one of our best skaters and scorers."

The Warriors also played Monday without Nathan Weaver, who received a one-game suspension for a fight in the Hazelwood Central game. But they had plenty of firepower for East, which has won only one game. Also scoring for the Warriors were Chris Burns, Jamie Duke, Todd Bennett and Jason Bucatch. Kevin Sitton, Larry Wright and John Culibek also had assists. Freshman Brent Golden played the whole game in goal as the Warriors outshot the Spartans 34-17.

"The best thing about the game was that just about everybody got to play," said Henson.

•Warriors

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ter tonight," said Ohlendorf. "Had this been the only game of the week, it's, you might have seen a little more from us offensively. But Belleville East was the game we prepared for all week."

NOTES: The Warriors host winless Cahokia on Friday, then travel to Collinsville (2-1) for a conference game Saturday. Junior varsity action on both nights starts at 6:15.

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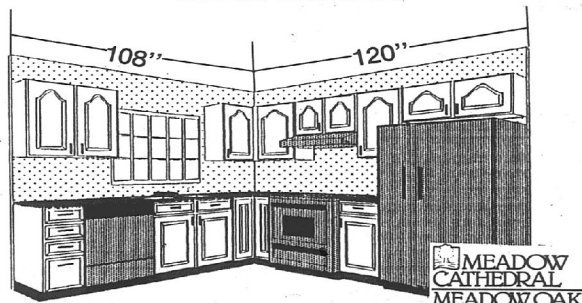
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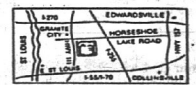
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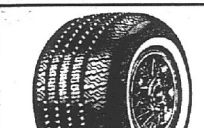
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